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SENATE.....WASHINGTON, Monday, Feb. 26.

NAVAL REFORM.

The Navy Reform bill was taken up.

Mr. FRANK offered an amendment to place surgeons on the same footing with others.

Mr. MORTON—I am opposed to the principle of the bill and to the amendment. If I assent to the consideration of the amendment, can I move for an indefinite postponement in a subsequent stage of the bill?

Mr. FRANK—Yes.

Mr. SHIELDS—I move to admit ladies to the floor of the Senate to witness the presentation of Gen. JACKSON's sword.

"Agreed" was heard from all parts of the Senate, whereupon the ladies were admitted in crowds, the gallery being full of them before.

Mr. FRANK—I ask the Ayes and Noes on my amendment.

Mr. HALLOCK—The bill as it went from the Senate was good, the House improved it, and the Committee and both Houses concurred. If, after thirty years' service, officers cannot stand an examination of the Board, they ought to retire. The Board only recommends,—the secretary of the Navy first, the President second and the Senate last, have to concur, in order to make the recommendations valid. If the bill goes back it fails. I trust the amendment will not be adopted.

Mr. BAYARD—I object to the Board because it takes away responsibility from the President. I am in favor of reform in the Navy, but not with a Board as contemplated.

Mr. FRANK—The bill passed the House by a majority of 70, therefore an amendment, which all admit to be right, will secure the concurrence of the House.

Mr. MASON—The Senate knows that I seldom trouble them about bills which do not immediately concern my constituents. I am opposed in principle and detail to this bill. There is an impression both here and abroad that the personnel of the Navy is ineffectual. I don't believe it. The personnel of the American Navy compares favorably with that of any other country, and favorably with that of itself at any former period. I believe the Navy as full of gallant spirits as it was in 1812. We need a system but only to get officers into more active service. There are too many officers for the number of our vessels. The proposed Board is opposed to the principles of our institutions. Officers brought before it cannot get witnesses in their behalf, nor be properly defended. The President of the United States can put the surplus officers on furlough, or on the reserved list. There is not a Captain in our Navy who was not engaged in the war of 1812. Many of them carry wounds received in that war. Shall these old officers be passed in the proposed review?

PRESENTATION OF GEN. JACKSON'S SWORD—SENATOR CASS' SPEECH.

He then suggested his remarks to allow the presentation of the sword worn by General JACKSON at the battle of New-Orleans, to be presented to Congress from the family of the late General ARMSTRONG.

The sword was then placed on General CASS' desk.

Mr. CASS rose, and laying the sword, said:

Mr. PRESIDENT: I must ask the indulgence of the Senate for requesting that its usual business may be suspended to give me an opportunity to discharge a duty, which has been committed to me. A trust I had not the heart to decline, but which I know I had not the power to fulfill, as such a mission should be fulfilled. I hold in my hand the sword of Gen. JACKSON, which he wore in all his expeditions, while in the military service of the country, and which was his faithful companion in his last and crowning victory, when New-Orleans was saved from the grasp of a sagacious and powerful enemy, and our nation from the disgrace and the disaster which defeat would have brought in its train. When the hand of death was upon him, General JACKSON presented this sword to his friend, the late General ARMSTRONG, as a testimonial of his high appreciation of the services, worth and courage of that most estimable citizen and distinguished soldier, whose desperate valor on one occasion stayed the tide of Indian success, and saved the army from destruction. The family of the venerable secretary, now that death has released him from the guardianship of this treasure of patriotism, are desirous it should be surrendered to the custody of the National Legislature, believing that to be the proper depository of a memorial, which, in all time to come will be a cherished one for the American people. To carry that purpose into effect, I now offer (in this name) to Congress.

Mr. President—This is no fanciful rule, whose influence rests upon uncertain tradition, and which owes its importance to an impetuous imagination. Its authenticity is established beyond controversy by the papers which accompany it, and it derives its value, as well from our knowledge of its history, as well from its association with the great captain, whose days of toil and nights of trouble it shared and witnessed, and who never once allowed its enemies but to defend the honor of his country.

This is neither the occasion nor the place to portray those great traits of character which gave to General JACKSON the ascendancy that no man ever gained who approached him, and that wonderful influence with his countrymen, which lasted almost his whole career from his entrance upon a public career till the grave closed upon him his life and his labors, and left him in that quality which the stoicks and early sages had at last. Still, from my personal and official intercourse with him, and I trust I may call them his friends, I cannot withhold the admiration of the impression, which his high qualities made upon me, and which became more lasting and more vivid as the time for doing work of separation from the type of my friendship drew nigh.

I have been no careless observer of the men of my time, who, controlled by circumstances controlling them, have made prominent among them, and will occupy the conspicuous pinnacle in the annals of the age; and circumstances have afforded my opportunities of comparison of the old World, as well as to the New. But I may, without a departure from the truth, that I have never met a man whom I could think was more perfectly fitted, by the union of qualities, or greater probity of mind, or more entire freedom from the mere dross of humanity, rather to have carried out the principles of the Revolution, than General JACKSON. I speak of the principles of that noble struggle, which, let it be remembered, was not a struggle of a single State against the Mother Country, but it was a struggle of the Colonies, as a whole, against the Mother Country. It was a struggle for principle, and not for mere local interest. It was a struggle for the rights of mankind, and not for the rights of a single people. It was a struggle which, if it failed, would have left us, not only without a country, but without a name to be recognized among the nations of the earth. It was a struggle which, if it succeeded, would place us in a position to be the pioneers of a new and more elevated system of government, and to show to the world that a people could be trusted with the control of their own affairs, without the necessity of a king or a lord to control them

LEGAL.

Law Reform in New-York.

The necessity for a reform of the law in this State was long ago conceded, and, from time to time, expedients were resorted to, but they failed to remedy the evils which all acknowledged did exist. They failed because they did not go to the root of the matter. The evils were in the *system*, therefore the true remedy could be found only in a new system. A *radical* change was necessary and at last it was proposed. The name of the proposer and the chief promoter of the reform, D. D. FIELD, Esq. of New-York, will readily occur.

In a letter to GULIAN C. VERPLANCK, Esq., Senator, on the "Reform of the Judicial System," *Dec. 26, 1839, after setting forth the* inefficiency and tardiness of the then existent *Judicial System*, Mr. FIELD said:

"The difficulty which meets us at the threshold grows out of the Constitution. * * * No radical change in our Judicial establishment can be made without an amendment to that instrument, and a radical change all unprejudiced men now admit to be necessary. * * * I have not sought, in this letter, to point out any plan of reorganization of the Courts, nor to discuss any particular measure of reform. Let us first remove the obstacles which stand in the way of all reform."

The remedy suggested was an amendment to the Constitution, which would vest in the Legislature the power to reorganize the Courts from time to time, save only the highest Court of Appeals.

No action was then taken, but the letter no doubt awakened attention to the subject.

In a letter on Law Reform, addressed to JOHN L. O'SULLIVAN, Esq., Member of Assembly, Jan. 1, 1842, Mr. FIELD said:

"There are two sources from which spring most of the evils of the system as it stands; first, the *forms and proceedings before the Courts*; and, secondly, the organization of the Courts themselves. For the latter a remedy is in prospect, through an amendment of the Constitution. My observations, therefore, shall be directed only to the forms and proceedings before the Courts."

The writer then proceeds to examine at length the practice and proceedings then used, and to test them by the touchstone of common sense. Of the changes which he proposed, he said: "They are radical, and that is a decisive objection with many. I do not flatter myself that they will meet, at first, with much favor. They will overturn nearly the whole of the technical part of our system, a part which has decided and zealous advocates. I am convinced that something like the plan I propose will, sooner or later, be adopted." The writer said that he did not doubt that a code of practice for *all* cases, civil and criminal, could be framed, and he hoped to see such a one adopted. But, as a *first step*, ordinary actions should be reformed; proceedings in special cases—such as mandamus—could be regulated afterward.

Accompanying this letter were drafts of three acts. The first was, "For the more simple and speedy administration of justice, in civil cases in Courts of Common Law."

This bill is of considerable interest, for its provisions have since been substantially adopted. Among its prominent features were the following:

The first pleading was to be a complaint, setting forth briefly, in ordinary language, the nature and particulars of the cause of action; to be verified by the plaintiff or his attorney, on belief. This was to be filed before the issuing of a summons, unless the time should have been extended for good cause shown. Within ten days of the return day of the summons, the defendant was to file an answer, under oath, in brief and ordinary language. No other pleading to be allowed.

Interest in a suit was not to exclude a witness. A party to a suit might be examined at the instance of the adverse party.

Jury trial might be waived by consent of parties. This was to give some relief to those liable to jury duty.

The judgment record, or roll, should be made by attaching together the summons, complaint, answer and copy of the verdict and of the judgment.

Execution might be issued *forthwith*.

Upon return of the execution unsatisfied, the judgment debtor might be examined, upon an order, and compelled to apply his property in satisfaction of the judgment. Third parties, in like manner, might be examined as to property of the judgment debtor in their hands, and if any should be found, it was to be applied in satisfaction of the judgment.

Liberal powers were to be given to the Courts to allow amendments to process, pleadings or proceedings, in furtherance of justice, even at the trial—but surprise was to be guarded against.

The fee bill was to be abolished, and parties were to be left free to agree with their attorneys and counsel as to compensation. The successful party was to be indemnified by a percentage on the amount recovered; or on the amount of the defeated claim.

All the various forms of actions, and all the forms of pleading theretofore used, with various other niceties, were to be abolished.

It will be remembered that the Court of Chancery was then in existence. Mr. FIELD proposed "An act for the more simple and speedy administration of justice in the Courts of Equity."

This bill would have assimilated the proceedings in Chancery to those of Common Law. Among other provisions were the following:

Discovery by answer was to be abolished. The plaintiff must set forth in concise language the nature of his cause of action, and the defendant in concise language must answer; and no other pleadings should be allowed.

Testimony was to be taken *orally*, in open *Court, as at Common Law.*

The foregoing are the most prominent features of the bills proposed by Mr. FIELD. Of the bills he said: "They are the fruits, certainly, of no little reflection, and I ought to add, observation, respecting the changes which they are designed to effect."

The third of the bills above referred to—itself a model of brevity—was "to simplify indictments."

These bills, with the explanatory letters accompanying them, were referred to the Committee on the Judiciary, of which ABRAHAM LEGGETT, Esq., was Chairman. They reported, March 2, 1842, that they "do not concur in and cannot recommend the passage of the bills. The learned author of the bills in question has, with great pains and labor, collected a large fund of information on the subject, and the Committee deem it due to *him, to the public, and to themselves*, to recommend that the title of Mr. FIELD, together with his explanatory letter in relation thereto, which has been recently laid before them, but which they have not had time properly to examine, should be printed as an appendix to the report of your Committee. Some of the principles of the bill will have been embodied in one of the bills reported by the Committee."

The Committee thought that the evils which it was admitted did exist, were not in the system, and they spoke disparagingly of codification. (See No. 81, Assembly Documents—1842.) Subsequently Mr. LOCKE, Chairman of that Committee, was one of the Commissioners to codify the rules of practice and pleading. However, several years were allowed to pass away, without notice, until at length, with a view to amendment on several subjects, the people expressed a wish for a Convention to reconstruct the Constitution.

Previous to the *assembling* of the Convention five articles, from the pen of Mr. FIELD, appeared in the *Evening Post*, January, 1846. They were subsequently printed in pamphlet form. In them he said: "The reorganization of *our judicial establishment is one of the first objects* to be effected by the approaching *Convention. We must begin by settling the principles* according to which the judiciary of such a people and Government as ours *should be* formed, and then form it in conformity to the principles. It is easy to see where the *old system has broken down. The* true causes of its failure are these: 1st, The Senate's participation in judicial functions. 2d, The practice of paying the judges partly by fees. 3d, The inconvenient and unequal distribution of labor among the judges; inconvenient, because it excludes some of the judges from jury trials; unequal, because there are too few judges in the higher (appellate) Courts to dispose of the business. 4th, The unnecessary repetition of labor by successive appeals. 5th, *An extremely complicated and technical system of practice.*

"This last lies more within the scope of *legal* than of *judicial* reform, and therefore pertains to the province of the Legislature rather than the Convention. Judicial reform *will prepare the way* for it, by removing one of the chief obstacles to its success. * * * That other great reform, *the revision and simplification of legal practice, in all its branches and in all Courts, must follow hard after.*"

After discussing measures of reform which he proposed, Mr. FIELD closed his letters with an outline of the plan which he suggested. Two of its provisions were as follows:

"No party in any civil suit or proceeding shall fail of relief from having misconceived his action, or the form of his remedy; but it shall be the duty of the Legislature to provide for the amendment of proceedings, in all cases where it may be necessary to serve the rights of the parties.

"It shall be the duty of the first Legislature that shall assemble under this Convention, *to revise the forms of proceedings in all courts of justice, with the view to reject from them all useless matter, to promote simplicity, and to further justice.*"

In November, 1846, the new Constitution was adopted. It went into operation Jan. 1, 1847. In it was a provision for the *codifying of the whole Common and Statute Law of the State, or as much as might be practicable and expedient.*

The Constitution reorganized the Judiciary. It separated judicial from legislative functions. *Testimony in equity cases* was to be taken as in Common Law cases; that is, orally, in open court. Fees to judicial officers, *except to Justices of the Peace*, were prohibited. It abolished the Chancery *Courts*, and gave equity jurisdiction to the Courts of Common Law. It contained the following provision:

"The *Legislature*, at its first session after the adoption of this Constitution, *shall provide for the appointment of three Commissioners*, whose duty it shall *be to revise, reform, simplify and abridge the rules* and practice, pleadings, *forms and proceedings of the Courts of Record of this State, and to report thereon to the Legislature, subject to their adoption and modification from time to time.*"

Thus the "obstacles" were removed from the path of Law-Reform, and a step in advance was taken. And here it may be well, for the present, to take leave of the subject, and to report "progress" in a future communication. A. W.

NEW-YORK, Tuesday, Feb. 20, 1855.

FROM THE SUSQUEHANNA.

The Frigate Susquehanna Undervalued—A Crack Ship—Her Cruise—Coming Home—A Letter from on board.

Correspondence of the New-York Daily Times.

VALPARAISO, CHILE, Sunday, Jan. 14, 1855.

The United States steam frigate *Susquehanna* left Acapulco for this port on the 12th ult., and arrived here after a passage of twenty days. She performed the whole distance under steam, stopping nowhere on the route for coal, and running through the southeast Trades with the wind dead ahead. This was managed by carrying a supply of coal on deck, and economizing fuel to the best advantage, by keeping her speed up to a certain average. This vessel mounts but nine guns, three pivot-guns and six paixhans, all of eight-inch bore. Her pivot-guns are immense, and throw a solid shot of sixty-eight pounds a distance of three miles. To *show how much undervalued she is, it is only* necessary to state, that upon leaving Acapulco the weight of coal she carried on deck was equivalent to about *thirty-four* of her broadside guns; and this was stowed in one spot too, along the midship section, and not distributed as a battery would be. She was deeper than she ever had been before, and, in consequence, rolled much less than is her wont. In fact, with but little expense, this steamer, of which our country may well be proud, could be made as formidable as she is symmetrical. Unfortunately, this vessel is no favorite with the commander of the late expedition to Japan—for what reason, it is hard to say, except, perhaps, because she is so far superior to a pet ship of his, the *Mississippi*. It is rumored that he has made no report concerning her to the Secretary of the Navy, in which ill-natured abuse was not its chief characteristic. The true state of the case is, that the *Susquehanna* is decidedly the finest side-wheel war-steamer afloat; and with a few necessary repairs, and one or two alterations about her engines, besides an increase in the number of her guns, she may safely challenge the world to produce her superior. As an American, I feel very proud of her; and so do all Americans, *who have had an opportunity of seeing her in a* foreign port. I am told that Admiral Sir JAMES STRELLING, when he first visited her at Shanghai, exclaimed, with a shake of the head, as he turned upon her quarter-deck and looked forward, "We have nothing like this!" The King of the Sandwich Islands, on seeing the revolutions of her powerful engines, said, "It inspires me with fear!" Dutchmen and Germans generally, cry on beholding this magnificent ship, "Mine Got! vot a countree!" I might cite many other like instances of the impression this much-abused but beautiful steamer has wrought upon the minds of foreigners, but I think the above will suffice. After coaling, the *Susquehanna* will continue on her homeward voyage.

The passage from Acapulco to this port was fraught with no incident worth recording, beyond the confirmation of a few facts relative to ocean phenomena, interesting only to nautical men. An abstract log of her whole cruise will probably be given to the world by means of Lieut. MAURY's admiral publications, or, perhaps, in some other manner. The result of many observations made on board of her, and the experience of her officers from constant cruising on the coast of China and among the Japanese Islands, cannot fail to be of the utmost value. She has twice steamed a distance of nearly four thousand miles, without stopping at an intermediate port, in one of her passages running down a part of the Pacific little if at all known. I have reason to believe that every advantage has been taken by some of the officers of the *Susquehanna*, of the course thus placed within their reach, for facilitating navigation generally, and finding into the hands of scientific men certain facts of serving importance. Her meteorological table will be very perfect, and as she visited Japan three times, and in three different seasons, viz.: Summer, Winter and Autumn; and will have made the circumnavigation of the globe, besides having called at many important points in China, (having penetrated into the interior by means of the Tung-ting-lake, a distance of three hundred miles from the mouth of that river) this will be not the least important among her observations. It is a credit to the Government to have sent a vessel on such a cruise as the *Susquehanna* is now terminating, more especially as the vessel herself in her turn, does our country so much credit.

In China the Susquehanna and her officers were *very popular with the foreign residents of the various* ports open to trade. At Shanghai, they were *particularly so. Courtesies* were exchanged to a considerable extent, and the band belonging to the steamer performed upon the race-course (the only promenade) at sunset, upon two days in each week, while she lay there during her last visit. The kindest feelings also existed between the American, English and French officers at that place, where they were all held in constant readiness to combine for the purpose of keeping in check a rabble soldiery, both imperial and insurgent, that infested the neighborhood. The theatrical entertainments given by the crew of the *Susquehanna* in the Chinese waters, are said to have far exceeded anything of the kind ever seen afloat. We regretted extremely, here, that most of her old crew were discharged in San Francisco, for we did not have the pleasure of witnessing a performance in this place.

Besides the *Susquehanna*, the *St. Lawrence*, 50, flag-ship of the Pacific squadron, is lying here. Her relief, the *Independence*, is expected in two or three weeks. We have no news as yet of the *Massachusetts* or *Decatur*, both of which vessels left Rio de Janeiro some time ago.

The first lieutenant of the English sloop-of-war *Dido* was murdered by a marine on Christmas night. It is said that he was arrogant to the officers, and cruel and oppressive to the men, with the commander of the vessel completely under his control. The ship was lying at Talcahuano at the time of the occurrence. The *Dido* left here a few days ago for Callao, I believe, and the murderer will be tried by a court martial as soon as possible.

The mail arrived on the 12th, one day behind time this month, with news from England and the Continent, *via* the United States. The *Susquehanna* sailed to-day for home, touching at Rio Janeiro.

CANADA.

Upper Canada Preparatory Exhibition to World's Fair of 1855—The Patriotic Fund Movement—Alleged Discovery of Coal in Quebec—Topics for the coming Parliamentary Session, &c.

Correspondence of the New-York Daily Times.

TORONTO, Monday, Feb. 19, 1855.

Arrangements have for some time been in progress to secure an adequate representation of the natural products of Canada and the industry and mechanical skill of its population, in the great Paris World's Fair of 1855; and with that view, a Preparatory Exhibition for the western section of the Province, of articles from which a selection will be made for transmission to Europe, is at present being held in this city. Another similar Exhibition will be held in the course of a few days in the Lower Province. Some months ago Commissioners were appointed by the Government to take measures for having Canada fairly represented. To judge from the Exhibition now on view, they have not been quite so successful as might have been desired, but this is probably more owing to the general apathy of the public mind, which no special means have been taken to arouse, than to any want of exertion on the part of the Commissioners. A considerable proportion of the articles intended to be sent, they have purchased from the producers or manufacturers, in the fear that mere private enterprise would prove an insufficient provider, and the result has shown that they did not err greatly in their calculations; for to say one who has seen the Provincial Exhibition at London, C. W., last Fall, or that at Hamilton the previous year, the present show must appear rather a poor affair. Of agricultural implements, there are only exhibited a few ploughs, one of which gained the first prize at London, and a post-hole borer, which promises to be a useful instrument, the borer being an iron screw, wrought by a horse, and boring at the rate of one or two holes a minute. Of Fall wheat, the samples are exhibited which gained the Canada Company's $100 prize at the Provincial Exhibitions of 1853 and 1854 respectively. That of 1853 is a very superior article, and the other falls greatly short, partly owing to the general inferiority of last year's crop, and partly to the want of sufficient competition. The oats and barley exhibited are poor, Indian corn fair; and of buckwheat, which would excite interest on account *of its rarity in Europe*, there is no sample whatever. There are good samples of Canadian coffee, chicory and tobacco, and of various kinds of timber, as black and white oak, balsam, tamarac, cedar, &c. One of the chief curiosities, which has been on exhibition several times before, is a table, composed of pieces of the various Canadian woods suitable for furniture, symmetrically arranged, and bearing a fine polish. The department of the Fine Arts is pretty well filled, but is not much to boast of. Few of the paintings are above mediocrity, except some representations of Indian life, by Mr. PAUL KANE, and some views of Canadian scenery, &c., by Mr. W. ARMSTRONG, both of this city. Mr. ARMSTRONG has a capital chalk drawing, representing, in a very lively manner, an ice-boating scene on our bay, one of the most curious features in Toronto Winter existence, and which could not fail to prove interesting to Europeans, independently of the artistic merit of the sketch. A model of the BROCK monument, commemorating an important epoch of Canadian history, a very fine and complete collection of Canadian bird-skins, an exceedingly creditable collection of edge tools from a Galt manufactory, the Berlin wool *carpet, wrought by the ladies of Toronto*, which gained a medal in New-York last year, a magnificent robe made of 1,400 pieces of fur, a cap composed of 150 pieces of sable paws and mink heads, and a specimen of the gnaphalic paper, are the only other articles worth enumerating. The gnaphalic paper, prepared by American manufacturers for Mr. ANDREW, a Lower Canadian, from a very common weed, named gnaphalium or life everlasting, is dingy in color and coarse in texture, but the manufacturers say that this is occasioned by an insufficient quantity of the weed having been forwarded them for the first trial. Independently of the great difference in cost between rags and the weed in question, they state that the manufacturing process, as regards cheapness, will be 12½ per cent. in favor of the latter.

The Patriotic Fund is still the great topic of Canada, and a large amount of enthusiasm has been shown in getting up subscriptions to it; and besides private contributions, the grants by municipalities of from $400 to $4,000, have been very numerous. Of these last, Toronto is the only one that has retraced its steps. The grant by our city corporation of $4,000 was warmly opposed at the time by some of the members on account of its alleged illegality, and also on account of its being a less desirable mode of contributing than that of a voluntary subscription. On being submitted to a vote of the rate-payers, it was affirmed by a bare majority of 36, scarcely 600 voters having come to the polls to vote pro or con. Seeing this result, the corporation unanimously rescinded the grant, and strenuous efforts are now being made to raise a much larger amount in a way less open to objection. The St. Andrew's Society of Toronto have already raised upwards of $3,000, and on Thursday last, a general meeting of the citizens was held, the Mayor presiding, to make arrangements for an organized canvass of the city for subscriptions. Stirring speeches were delivered by Rev. Dr. MCCAUL, Principal of University College; Dr. DANIEL WILSON, of European reputation as an Archæologist, and now a professor in this City; and J. H. HAGARTY, Esq., one of our most prominent barristers. The two latter gentlemen spoke with a good deal of bitterness of the apparent sympathy for the Russians manifested by a large portion of the American people.

The alleged discovery of a vein of coal in the *rocks overhanging Mountain-street, Quebec*, has occasioned a good deal of discussion during the *whole of this Winter. The supposed discovery* was made by workmen engaged on some street improvements ordered by the corporation, but it is the general opinion, however desirable might be the opposite conclusion, that they have only discovered a mare's nest. Professor LOGAN, whose ability as a Geologist is beyond all question, has pledged his reputation on the assertion that there is no coal in Canada, and that the supposed coal is merely a stray vein of a substance resembling it in some respects. A friend in Quebec assured me that he procured a piece, and that on putting it to the common sense test of throwing it into the fire, it flew into fragments as a piece of stone would have done. Count DE ROTTERMUND, however, affirms in opposition to LOGAN, that it is veritable coal, and has prevailed on the corporation to suspend their intended improvements, to afford him an opportunity of carrying out an investigation, which he is satisfied will result favorably.

Of the three new Ministers, Messrs. LEMIEUX and CAUCHON have been reelected by their old constituencies, without opposition. No intelligence has yet been received of the result of the berchers's election. Mr. CARTER, it was supposed, would be very closely run, if not defeated by a Rouge farmer, a Mr. PERPONTAINE, who had been induced to contest the County with the new Provincial Secretary.

Parliament reassembles in Quebec on Friday. The old topics of the Clergy Reserves and Seigneurial Tenure, which Acts were passed last session "to settle once and forever," will probably again be fertile subjects for acrimonious discussion. The *Reformers* of both sections of the Province declare that on both those great questions, they have been duped and sold by a Government professedly converted to Liberal measures, but in reality as rankly Tory as ever, and the recent intensifying of the Tory character of the Cabinet by the changes it has just undergone, will furnish its opponents with new weapons of assault. It would not be at all surprising if our Coalition Ministry gives up the ghost before Parliament rises. The Maine law will be another prominent subject of discussion during the coming session. It is one of those subjects on which a great deal of quirking and shirking may be expected. Personally, a considerable majority of our Representatives are opposed to such a law, but almost every one of them feels that he would grievously offend the most influential and respectable portion of his constituency, if he voted against it. In this dilemma they will shove it aside by some hocus pocus if they can, but it is to be hoped that the Press, and a continual pouring in of petitions from all parts of the country, will so influence their minds as to prevent this result. Another topic of much discussion will arise out of the labors of the Corruption Committees, appointed by both branches of the Legislature to investigate the charges against Hon. Mr. HINCKS and other members of the late Administration.

Our newspaper publishers here, with a few exceptions, are finding their business becoming unprofitable, on account of the increased cost of labor and material, while the price to the subscriber remains the same. Not long ago, the *Leader*, one of our four daily papers, absorbed another of them (the *Patriot*,) which is now published as an evening edition. LYON MACKENZIE has been forced to discontinue his *Message*; and last week another Liberal paper (the *North American*,) was absorbed by the *Globe*, which now boasts a circulation of 14,000, and issues daily an amount of reading matter nearly double that of any other paper in British America.

Letter from Dr. H. G. Cox on the Question of Quarantine Removal.

Hon. Gulian C. Verplanck, President of Board of Commissioners of Emigration:

DEAR SIR: In reply to your note requesting an opinion on the subject of the bill now pending before the Legislature of this State, having for its object the disposal of the property on Staten Island, occupied as a Quarantine Hospital, and the removal of the patients now there, and of all emigrants arriving at this port sick of other diseases than yellow fever, to the hospitals under the charge the Commissioners on Ward's Island, I beg to say that the transfer of patients suffering from diseases of a contagious and infectious character, such as ship fever, small-pox and cholera, to these hospitals, would, in my judgment, be in the highest degree impolitic, and of more than questionable humanity. Not only would those in the hospitals be thus exposed, but the hundreds of infants and adults who are compelled to seek a home in the Refuge would also be rendered liable to suffer, and from the constant intercourse maintained by the visits of friends to their sick relatives from every part of the City, and the continual passing of boats conveying the sick and newly-arrived emigrants from the ships to Ward's Island, through that crowded thoroughfare, the East River, the risk of communicating these diseases to both New-York and Brooklyn would have much to be dreaded. I would also notice the consequences to the sick themselves, arising from the transportation and the time occupied in the transit from the Quarantine anchorage to Ward's Island. It is well known that many are admitted to the Quarantine Hospital directly from the ships, in a very feeble condition, who require immediate and careful attention; the chances of such for recovery, especially during the inclemency of the Winter season, must not only be very materially lessened, but in many instances totally destroyed ere they could reach their destination. Should an influx of ship fever and cholera, equal to that in 1848, 1849, and 1852, ever again occur, large numbers of patients will have to be crowded into your Ward's Island Hospitals, which will become hotbeds for the production of pestilential diseases, which have before been excluded, as a means of protection to the sanatory interests of the City, and a humane consideration to the emigrants themselves.

When an epidemic disease has prevailed during the passage to this port, the Health Officer has deemed it proper to detain on shore, for some days within the limits of Quarantine, the entire number of passengers and crew; such detention being necessary for the proper cleansing of persons and clothing before they should be allowed to enter the City, and thus affording an opportunity by a change of diet, &c., to destroy the germ, and arrest the *further development of disease. But, by the bill* proposed, these persons must remain on board the ships, debarred the advantages mentioned, or be sent immediately into the City, there to deposit the seeds of what, pestilence, may prove a pestilence.

The only diseases from which *this bill seems to* protect the City of New-York are the "Yellow and other tropical fevers, in persons arriving from any port south of the southern boundary of the State of Virginia, between the 15th June and the 1st November," for which purpose it is designed to provide a floating hospital, to be anchored during such time in the bay, north of Coney Island, and from Cholera, by requiring all vessels arriving from ports which these diseases were prevailing at the time of their departure, to "anchor and remain as now required by law; while vessels arriving with other diseases are to be detained until they are thoroughly cleansed." The impropriety of subjecting the City to the danger of infection from ship fever, cholera, small-pox, &c., while such care is taken to protect it from yellow fever, is glaringly evident, and on not the policy of which is, in an eminent degree, short-sighted.

Regarding the size and accommodations of this floating hospital, the bill is not explicit. The connection of the apartments, unavoidable in such an establishment, is an arrangement opposed to that founded on experience, with separate buildings having spacious rooms and high ceilings, affording the means for good ventilation, and would of itself condemn the plan *of a floating hospital for any class of* infectious or contagious disease.

I would beg to submit the foregoing considerations as legitimate objections to the passage of a bill which would exercise a most baneful influence on the sanatory condition of this great metropolis, and be a perfect perversion of the object for which the Quarantine Hospital has an existence.

I have the honor to remain,
Your most obedient servant,
HENRY G. COX,
President Medical Board
of the Emigrant Hospitals, Ward's Island.

NEW-YORK, Feb. 22, 1855.

Our Consuls Abroad.

NEW-BRUNSWICK, N. J., Wednesday, Feb. 21, 1855.

To the Editor of the New-York Daily Times:

Your remarks in this day's TIMES upon our Consular system are well worthy the attention of every American. Having visited several countries of South America, I have frequently while abroad been mortified at the estimation in which our country and her representatives are held by the people, who only respect power. Our Consuls must *solicit* justice from the "Powers that be," and they suit themselves about granting it; while the British Consul, for instance, will *demand* it, and his demands are respected, for they know he has the guns to back him—every steamer being a sort of Government vessel.

You refer to our Consul at Carthagena. I spent the last Winter in that city, and must say that we are unusually fortunate in having the services of a gentleman such as R. L. BARCHER, Esq., for the small sum of $500 per annum, and I speak the sentiments of all who have had the opportunity of judging, when I say that every American visiting that port finds in him a friend and counselor; but like all our Consuls, he has but little power.

I hope the subject will be agitated until a thorough reform is effected in the whole system; and Americans enjoy the same facilities in foreign lands as the people of any other nation. W. E.

The Gas Monopoly.

To the Editor of the New-York Daily Times:

Permit me to ask the question, as a consumer of gas, whether some salutary checks should not be introduced into the Charter of the Manhattan Gas Light Company, now before the Legislature asking for an increase of capital.

First—By requiring them to take care, without charge, of all meters.

Second—To provide for the appointment by the Common Counsel of a person to protect consumers from the imposition, &c., of over charge.

Third—Whether it is the proper policy to permit one Company to have the monopoly of supplying so large a part of the island as they ask with gas; and whether some competition would not be the means of furnishing better and cheaper gas to consumers. The discussion will give annoyance to a few persons who are largely interested, and who would give a very large sum no doubt to have the law passed authorising them to double their capital, but it is to be hoped that the independent press will call the attention of consumers to the application.

A GAS CONSUMER.

LATER FROM HAVANA.

Immense Excitement in the Island—Blockade of all the Ports—Great Armament of Troops.

From the New-Orleans Courier.

The United States Mail steamer *Black Warrior*, J. D. BULLOCK, commander, arrived at the Levee this morning. She left Havana on the evening of the 15th.

The whole Island was in a state of excitement, and new companies of militia had been formed, it having been reported that another invasion might be soon expected.

The different ports of the Island are declared in a state of blockade, but the Civil Courts are still in force.

The English frigate *Vestal* was in port, all well on board.

The following is a list of the passengers by the Black Warrior:

Miss H. Cotton, A. Cummings, C. H. Dougherty, E. Zachrisen, Miss Valine, Capt. Littlefield, Mr. Barstow and lady, John T. Carr, B. B. Stickney, J. E. Fisher, B. Turner, Mrs. Lynch, son and daughter; E. Turk, C. O. Eaton, E. Bonsano, Miss Poindexter, Miss Clay, Mrs. H. S. Butler, Mrs. Deane, Mrs. Salter, Mrs. J. T. Rodgers, A. H. Blake, Hamilton Hyenes, R. Woodward, Wm. Mackay, Louis Voix, John Jones, J. R. Hawthorne, M. L. Morton, A. Robinson, F. J. Hendricks, James *Portal, Henry M. Macomber, Sidney Everett, Chas. H.* Roome, Chas. Neave, P. Sinclair, Henry W. Clifford, Mr. Wayne and lady, Judge Bennet, Judge Fitch, M. Alzar and M. Salvina.

We have received our files of Havana papers up to the 15th, from which we glean matters of the highest importance to our readers. It will be seen that, in expectation of a contemplated attack from the filibustering expedition, martial law has been declared, and all the ports of the Island closed to commerce. We give a succinct compendium and translation below of all the edicts and orders from the Captain General which have any bearing upon the state of affairs in the island.

The *Prensa* of the 13th contains a lengthy edict from the Captain General, in relation to permits for the use of firearms, ammunition, &c.

The first section enjoins gunsmiths from selling firearms or weapons of any kind to any person, unless permitted so to do by a special order from the Lieutenant Governor.

SEC. 2. Prescribes that six days after the promulgation of said edict, every one having such permits must present them to the Lieutenant Governor to be vised again by competent authorities.

SEC. 3. The Lieutenant Governor shall ascertain the number of firearms to be allowed on each plantation, allowing three guns for every hundred negroes, in order to keep them down in case of revolt. The owners of said plantations shall be responsible for the use of said firearms, and shall be required to renew their licenses every six days.

SEC. 4. Those who should contravene the requirements of the foregoing sections, shall be liable to arrest and subject to such punishment as the enormity of their offence may require.

EDICT.

A number of citizens having presented themselves before me, and represented to me that they have acquired some military experience in Spain, in the army of our Queen, ISABEL II, and Don CARLOS; and these being accompanied by some young men who manifested the liveliest desire to inscribe themselves on the general enlistment roll and to partake of the fatigues and dangers of our valorous army. Therefore, I, desirous of giving them a ready proof of the pleasure which I feel at their manifestations of loyalty and patriotism, hereby order and decree:

1. That a body shall be organized in this city under the name of Volunteer Militia of Havana.

2. Those who shall desire to describe themselves in this corps shall present themselves at the enlistment of the "Noblesa Vascongada," where they will find proper persons to proceed to the enrollment.

3. Whenever a number sufficient to form several companies shall have been inscribed, the Government shall appoint the staff of officers, who shall take these enlisted to the Artillery Park, for the purpose of equipping them with arms and ammunition.

4. If the number of persons enrolled will allow it, a battalion under the above name shall be formed.

JOSE DE LA CONCHA.

HAVANA, Feb. 12, 1855.

Four battalions of 6 companies each have just been organized at Havana, the members of which are all volunteers.

It is said that the English war-steamer *Bonaventa* took 6 companies of Spanish infantry on board and conveyed them to their destination in another portion of the Island.

On the 12th inst., there was a small parade of troops in the Campo Militar of Havana. After much marching and countermarching, displaying columns, &c., General CONCHA made them one of those grandiloquent speeches for which his Excellency is so renowned. After thanking his soldiery, he said, "That the hour, in all probability, would shortly arrive when they would be under the necessity of combatting those hordes of piratical adventurers who are clandestinely dumping their troops in the United States. If ever they effect a landing in the Island, they will be met with the bayonets of the army, and the new-kindled loyalty of a vast majority of the inhabitants of the country. He reminded the soldiers of their past glory, and assured them that they, the descendants of a great race of heroes and conquerors, and the depositaries and faithful guardians of the ashes of COLUMBUS, would give to their enemies a good account of themselves upon the field of battle. "Let us," said he, "fight like good fellows and we shall soon destroy that small squad of adventurers."

EDICT.

MILITARY SECRETARY'S OFFICE.

JOSE GUTIERREZ DE LA CONCHA, Governor Captain General of the Island of Cuba, and General-in-Chief of the Army.

In discharge of the duty, for the adoption of preventive measures against the piratical expedition which is being prepared in the United States against this Island, using the faculties conferred by ordinary authority, as Captain-General and General-in-Chief of this Army, I order and command:

1. Vesting in state of siege all the territory of the Island of Cuba, its islets and keys adjacent, and subject throughout to all its legal consequences, while the circumstances continue which cause this measure. Notwithstanding the effective and predominant action that is assumed by military jurisdiction, the other tribunals and Courts, in resuming the course of their usual and ordinary affairs, will continue in the exercise of their respective functions, that may not be excluded in this edict.

ART. 2. They remain in blockade by the naval forces of Her Majesty, all the coasts of the island and their waters, and, in consequence thereof, the documents of every vessel will be required for strict examination. Those which come loaded with people, from whatever place or for whatever destination, will be considered suspicious; but if their papers and registry do not confirm it, they will only be required to remove to a greater distance; in the contrary case, for want of authentic documents, bringing cargo of arms and ammunition, or goods and effects which may serve contribute to promote civil war in the island, they will be made and considered as enemies, and treated as pirates, in conformity with the ordinance of the Royal Navy.

(Signed) JOSE DE LA CONCHA.

HAVANA, Feb. 12, 1855.

EDICT.

JOSE GUTIERREZ DE LA CONCHA, Governor and Captain General of the Island of Cuba, and General in Chief of the army.

It being notorious that at various points in the United States they are preparing a piratical expedition against this island, composed of adventurers from all countries, who aspire to meet here the fortune they want: desirous to avail myself of the active services of all the troops in the army to repel it in a prompt and vigorous manner, at whatever point or points the filibusters may present themselves; and accepting the repeated and urgent offers that I receive from all parts, dictated by the loyalty, patriotism and enthusiasm for the glorious banner of our fatherland, the integrity of the territory of Cuba, and the security of the persons and property of its inhabitants—in use of the extraordinary powers granted me—I order and command:

ART. 1. In this capital, and in the heads of districts under charge of Lieutenant Governors, they will proceed to enlistment of good Spaniards of both Hemispheres, who voluntarily desire it, between the ages of 18 and 50 years.

2. This force will be denominated volunteers of the point of their residence, and they will be organized to constitute 100 men for each company, with officers, sergeants and corporals, as usual; and the battalion of every four, six or eight companies; when exceeding eight they will form two or more battalions, if not exceeding four they will comprise a third (Tercio.)

3. The Government will nominate from the volunteers the Chiefs and Captains, who shall form part of the forces, and said officers will propose to the Government the subaltern officers, and also the sergeants and corporals. By the Captain General will be directed the necessary dispositions for providing arms and munitions for the volunteer corps, and regulating their service, whenever it may be necessary.

4. In each "partido" (the smallest municipal division) they will organize volunteer sections in conformity with the established basis, as well as infantry or cavalry.

5. The Governors and Lieutenant Governors will immediately effect the enlistments, in conformity with the basis expressed.

6. The same authorities will enlist at appropriate times, all discharged soldiers and volunteers of the country who may present themselves, with the object of augmenting the force of "Salinguerrillas," (Sallyparties,) within their respective limits, with regulations to practice for organization of the force of this class at present existing in each Lieut. Governor's district.

7. They will pay from funds of the State the fees of the Salinguerrilla. *Each twenty-five men will form a section* to the command of an official, with a brigade and two corporals; each four sections will constitute a company under the orders of a captain.

(Signed) JOSE DE LA CONCHA.

HAVANA, Feb. 12, 1855.

ORDER.

His Excellency, the Captain General, has deemed proper to instruct the most excellent Sub-inspector of Cavalry, to move without loss of a moment the force of three squadrons of rural and two of the disciplined *militia of FERDINAND VII.*, in conformity with the base of their instructions. Which order of his Excellency is inserted in the *Official Gazette* for general intelligence. HAVANA, 12th of February, 1855. The Brigadier-in-Chief of the Staff Department of War.

(Signed) JOAQUIN MORALES DE RADA.

GENERAL ORDERS.

POLITICAL AND MILITARY OFFICE OF HAVANA, Feb. 12.

To facilitate the enlistment and armament of volunteers in the Capital, in conformity with an edict of his Excellency, the Captain General, under date of today, and with a view of uniting the convenience of every portion of the community, I have designated the following places, situated at the four extremities of the city, as suitable rendezvous for said enlistment:

Custom-House.
Below Jesuits' College.
Tacon Theatre.
Calzada del Cerro, in the Commissary Dep't of the 8th Div.

In each of the above points, a Committee of the Ayuntamiento will be found, from 10 to 2 and from 4 to 7 P. M.

Persons who desire to enlist in the institute of sub guards created by the edict promulgated to-day by his Excellency the Captain General, may do so by applying at the MILITIA Head-Quarters of Cavalry and Infantry, belonging to the Preservative Corps of the Capital, *the Second Chief of which has all the necessary instructions* for the admission of volunteers.

JOSE IGNACIO DE ECHAVARRIA.

HAVANA, Feb. 12, 1855.

Religious Views of Horace Greeley.

NEW-YORK, Sunday, Feb. 18, 1855.

To the Editor of the Christian Ambassador:

MY DEAR SIR: I find in your issue of this date, an extract from the Rome *Excelsior*, asserting that I am not a Universalist, to which you have appended an explicit denial. I could have wished that no necessity for such denial had arisen, and I am very sure that the *Excelsior* intended to state the truth. Yet its assertion, on whatever incidental expression or conversation it may have been based, is certainly erroneous. I have for thirty years earnestly hoped and believed that our Father in Heaven will, in his own good time, bring the whole human race into a state of willing and perfect reconciliation to himself and obedience to his laws—consequently one of complete and unending happiness. But as to the time when and the means whereby this consummation is to be attained, I have no immovable conviction, though my views have generally accorded nearly with those held by the Unitarian Restorationists. In other words, I believe that the moral character formed in this life, will be that in which we shall awake in the life to come, and that many die so *deeply stained and tainted by lives of transgression* and depravity, that a tedious and painful discipline must precede and prepare for their admission to the realms of eternal purity and bliss. I can only guess that the *Excelsior's* article was based upon some conversation in which this *aspect* of my belief was prominently set forth. And yet I cannot recollect that I ever changed a word with the editor on the subject of theology.

Your statement that I am a member of Mr. CHAPIN's Church organization, and a communicant therein, impels me to say that, though a member of his Society from the day of his settlement among us, I am not technically a member of his Church, but of that in Orchard-street, in which I was a pew-holder, until Dr. SAWYER's removal from our City to Chester, when I attached myself to the Society which is now Mr. CHAPIN's. And, believing the ordinance of the Lord's Supper, as now celebrated among us, a fearful impediment to the progress and triumph of the principle of total abstinence from all that can intoxicate, I have for more than four years felt it my duty to abstain from it, praying and hoping for the day when Christians of every name shall realize that the blood of our Saviour is not truly represented by the comp

NOTICES OF NEW BOOKS.

WOLFERT'S ROOST. By WASHINGTON IRVING. New-York: G. P. PUTNAM.

Few among the present readers of light literature—those "insatiable swallowers" who bolt everything warm and reeking from the press—have enjoyed the privilege of reading a new work from the pen of WASHINGTON IRVING. For, to tell the truth, since the worthy Knickerbocker laid aside the pen with which so much that is memorable in American literature was conjured into being, a new and rabid class of readers has sprung into existence. Instead of the genial humor, the wholesome satire, the finished style of that distinguished author, we have prurience, sarcasm, cant, flippancy and commonplace. Readers—fairly frightened to death—have been found to bolter on this unpleasant mixture, and the supply has continued with unabated malignancy. Imagination and fancy are alike unknown; they are dead, buried and not likely to rise again. The poverty of literature is infallibly traced by the resentment it provokes. An author who cuts people a little world of his own, with such beings in man can attach himself to, lives in the commonplace appreciation of the hour. Look at DICKENS!—scarcely an event can transpire that does not recall some pleasing memory of his wonderful creations; the same with Mrs. HARRIET BEECHER STOWE, and in a less degree with BULWER, THACKERAY, and men of smaller calibre. Now, if we cudgel our brains never so soundly, we shall fail to remember one friend that has been borne to us on the wings of the modern Pegasus. The abominable trash "entered according to act of Congress" leaves no genial reminiscence for the fireside; no healthy pulsation for humanity; no large contempt for hypocrisy; no love for home and country, and friends. We are not moved to smiles and tears by mimic being—God bless them!—who creep into our heart and live there, and make it larger and open it to the great world! There is neither intro nor retrospection for the literary gourmand of to-day; he gluts on novelty, and awakes confused with the hideous nightmare that is the inevitable consequence. Imagination is dead, and its galvanized corpse is called Fiction; Fancy and geniality are out of date, and smart, vulgar, ungrammatical, bitter writing the fashion.

Coming at a time when we are well nigh submerged in this moulderm of twaddle and trash, a volume from WASHINGTON IRVING may indeed be considered an event. *Wolfert's Roost*, like every other production of his gifted and gentle pen, overflows with geniality and pleasantness. The purity of its style; the admirable nicety with which it is written, the obvious care and attention bestowed on those minute details of design which impart to the classics their standard excellence, and more than all its abundant humor and quiet satire, recall the best and earliest efforts of the author. It is another of the recommendations of this book, that the reader not only has some three hundred pages of new matter to con over at his leisure, but an inseparable volume of recollections which it provokes; for who can read this last effort without recalling some earlier one, and how unmixed the satisfaction of recalling anything that has emanated from GEOFFREY CRAYON! With what delight do we throw ourselves back in our comfortable arm chair, and indulge the flow of humor that the "Open Sesame" of WASHINGTON IRVING has caused to gush forth in this world of ours; humor that people our highways and byways imperishably; and will live in memory to the end of time. Think of that dear old Diedrich Knickerbocker of Schaghticoke, in his olive breeches, black coat, cocked hat and square shoe-buckles! Do we ever look at a Dutch house without a pious benediction on that great and veracious historian? And when we meet a square-built Netherlander slowly toiling through the busy thoroughfares of modern New-York, can we restrain the mirth which his ancestors of New-Amsterdam have so often provoked? Instantly our thoughts fly back to the early period of our history when the famous Walter the Doubter doubted in vain, and thought of things on such a comprehensive scale that there was no room to turn them over in his mind. And of his fiery successor William the Testy, who issued that mighty proclamation to the abominable Yankees, who need it as never proclamation was used before. And valiant Peter Stuyvesant, too, surnamed the Headstrong, pegging away on his wooden limb to his retreat in the shady Bowery!

To the imagination of WASHINGTON IRVING our glorious Hudson is indebted for much of its romantic interest. The localities he has selected, always happily, have become world famous, and will live in legend when much of the handicraft of man shall have perished in the centuries. Who that has once known, can ever forget that exemplary husband, Rip Van Winkle, or his marvelous game of nine pins in the mountains with HENDRICK HUDSON's fairies crew? Who can pass through the Tappan Sea without straining his eyes to catch a glimpse of that land of drowsiness and Dutchmen—Sleepy Hollow. The dirty little urchins fishing on the wharves are perfect counterparts of Ichabod Crane's scholars, and even that worthy pedagogue himself has many successors who do not spoil the child by sparing the rod. What a thousand pities, and what a melancholy fact it is, that the modern Van Tassels have abandoned the provokingly short petticoat!

It is impossible to open this volume without enjoying such reminiscences of past but enduring pleasures. It is an intellectual bridge connecting two epochs in man's life. Across it the friends of his youth—loved dearly and tenderly still—come flocking with outstretched palms. They are many, and we would gossip pleasantly with each did our opportunity serve. Long may the parent of this happy progeny live to see them loved and remembered!

Several of the papers in *Wolfert's Roost* are familiar to the readers of the periodical press, but the majority will be fresh to the general public. The title of the volume is derived from "a little old-fashioned stone mansion all made up of gables, ends, and on full of angles and corners as an old cocked hat," situated somewhere in the neighborhood of Sing Sing, and supposed to be the residence of the author. Of Sing Sing we are told that it is a corruption of an old Indian name O-SINSING, furthermore, that some have rendered it O-SING-SONG, in token of its being a great market town, where anything may be had for a mere song; and, finally, that its present unhealthy situation to Sing Sing is said to have been made in compliment to a Yankee singing master, who taught the inhabitants the art of singing through the nose. There is a marvelous history of the *Roost*, and of the remarkable inhabitants it has had at various periods of history down to the advent of Diedrich Knickerbocker, who discovered the house and its records in one of his peregrinations.

"Here then did old DIEDRICH KNICKERBOCKER take up his abode for a time, and set to work with antiquarian zeal to decipher these precious documents, which, like the lost books of LIVY, had baffled the research of former historians; and it is the facts drawn from these sources which give his work the preeminence, in point of accuracy, over every other history."

It was during his sojourn in this neighborhood, that the historian is supposed to have picked up many of those legends which have since been given to the world, as found among his papers. Such was the legend connected with the old Dutch Church of Sleepy Hollow. The Church itself was a monument of bygone days. It had been built in the early times of the province, it rather over the period from the arrival of its founder: FREDERICK FILIPSEN, a native of Rotterdam, previous to Yonkers and hill with KILIAEN VAN CORTLAND, of the VAN CORTLANDS of Gelderland, a powerful family connection, with one hundred and fifty quarterings in their coat of arms, and a great deal more money than any family should have. On the building of the church, the worthies of the province contributed liberally, some in money, others in land, others in labor, and others in the precious metals. The weathercocks, with the initials of these illustrious personages, graced the roof of the church, one perched over the belfry, the other over the chancel. As usual with ecclesiastical weathercocks, each pointed a different way; and there was a perpetual contradiction between them on all points of whisky doctrine; emblematic, alas! of the Christian propensity to schism and controversy.

In the burying-ground adjacent to the church, repose the earliest fathers of a wide rural neighborhood. Here families were interred together, side by side in long placidness, in this last gathering place of kindred. With pious hand would DIEDRICH KNICKERBOCKER turn down the weeds and brambles to decipher inscriptions in Dutch and English, of the names and virtues of succeeding generations of VAN TASSELS, VAN WARTS, and other historical worthies, with their portraitures faithfully carved, all bearing the family likeness to admiration."

The sketch of the *Roost*, and the succeeding essay on the "Birds of Spring," are two of the most admirable papers in the collection. From the latter we slip the following two phases in the life of that indiscreet warbler:

THE BOBOLINK.

"The happiest bird of our Spring, however, and one that rivals the European lark in my estimation, is the Bobolincon, or Boblink, as he is commonly called. He arrives at that choice portion of our year, which, in this latitude, answers to the description of the month of May, and lasts until nearly the middle of June. Earlier than this, Winter is apt to return on its traces, and to blight the opening beauties of the year; and later than this, begin the parching, and panting, and dissolving heats of Summer. But in this genial interval, nature is in all her freshness and fragrance: "the rains are over and gone, the flowers appear upon the earth, the time of the singing birds is come, and the voice of the turtle is heard in the land." The trees are now in their fullest foliage and brightest verdure; the woods are gay with the clustered flowers of the laurel; the air is perfumed by the sweet-brier and the wild rose; the meadows are enameled with clover-blossoms; while the young apple, the peach, and the plum, begin to swell, and the cherry to glow, among the green leaves.

This is the chosen season of revelry of the Boblink. He comes amidst the pump and fragrance of the season; his life seems all sensibility and enjoyment, all song and sunshine. He is to be found in the soft bosoms of the freshest and sweetest meadows; and is most in song, when the clover is in blossom. He perches on the topmost twig of a tree, or on some long flaunting weed, and as he rises and sinks with the breeze, pours forth a succession of rich tinkling notes; crowding one upon another, like the outpouring melody of the skylark, and possessing the same rapturous character. Sometimes he pitches from the summit of a tree, begins his song as soon as he goes upon the wing, and flutters tumultuously down to the earth, as if overcome with ecstasy at his own music. Sometimes he is in pursuit of his paramour; always with the same appearance of intoxication and delight.

Of all the birds of our groves and meadows, the Boblink was the envy of my boyhood. He crossed my path in the sweetest weather, and the sweetest season of the year, when all nature called to the fields, and the rural feeling throbbed in every bosom; but when I, luckless urchin! was doomed to be mewed up, during the livelong day, in that purgatory of boyhood, a school-room. It seemed as if the little varlet mocked at me, as he flew by in full song, and sought to taunt me with his happier lot. Oh, how I envied him! No lessons, no task, no hateful school; nothing but holiday, frolic, green fields, and fine weather. Had I been then more versed in poetry, I might have addressed him in the word of LOGAN to the cuckoo:

> Sweet bird! thy bower is ever green,
> Thy sky is ever clear;
> Thou hast no sorrow in thy note,
> No Winter in thy year.
>
> Oh! could I fly, I'd fly with thee;
> We'd make, on joyful wing,
> Our annual visit round the globe,
> Companions of the Spring!

Further observation and experience have given me a different idea of this little feathered voluptuary, which I will venture to impart, for the benefit of my schoolboy readers, who may regard him with the same unqualified envy and admiration which I once indulged. I have shown him only as I saw him at first, what I may call the poetical part of his career, when he in a manner devoted himself to elegant pursuits and enjoyments, and was a bird of music, and song, and taste, and sensibility, and refinement. While this lasted, he was sacred from injury; the very schoolboy would not fling a stone at him, and the merest rustic would pause to listen to his strain. But mark the difference. As the year advances, as the clover blossoms disappear, and the Spring fades into Summer, he gradually gives up his elegant tastes and habits; doffs his poetical suit of black, assumes a russet dusty garb, and sinks to the gross enjoyments of common vulgar birds. His notes no longer vibrate on the ear; he is stuffing himself with the seeds of the tall weeds on which he lately swung and chanted so melodiously. He has become a "bon vivant," a "gourmand," with him now there is nothing like the "joys of the table." In a little while he grows tired of plain homely fare, and is off on a gastronomical tour in quest of foreign luxuries. We next hear of him with myriads of his kind banqueting among the reeds of the Delaware; and grown corpulent with good feeding. He has changed his name in traveling. Boblincon no more—he is the *Reed-bird* now, the much sought for tidbit of Pennsylvania epicures; the rival in unlucky fame of the ortolan! Wherever he goes, pop! pop! pop! every rusty firelock in the country is blazing away. He sees his companions falling by thousands around him.

Does he take warning and reform?—Alas no! Incorrigible epicure! again he wings his flight. The rice swamps of the South invite him. He gorges himself among them almost to bursting; he can scarcely fly for corpulency. He has once more changed his name, and is now the famous *Rice-bird* of the Carolinas.

Last stage of his career; behold him spitted with dozens of his corpulent companions, and served up, a reanted dish, on the table of some Southern gastronome.

Such is the story of the Boblink; once spiritual, musical, admired, the joy of the meadows, and the favorite bird of Spring; finally, a gross little sensualist who expiates his sensuality in the larder. His story contains a moral, worthy the attention of all little boys; warning them to keep to those refined and intellectual pursuits, which raised him to so high a pitch of popularity during the early part of his career; but to eschew all tendency to that gross and dissipated indulgence, which brought this mistaken little bird to an untimely end."

The characteristic geniality and fancy of WASHINGTON IRVING are agreeably manifest in all the principal papers of this volume. Among the most prominent of these we may refer to a truly delightful sketch, "A Contented Man;" an instructive narrative called "Mountjoy;" a Communipaw legend entitled "Guests from Gibbet Island," and an Indian research concerning the Seminoles. From the last we gather

THE ORIGIN OF THE WHITE, THE RED AND THE BLACK MAN.

"When the Great Spirit had made the three men, he called them together and showed them three boxes. The first was filled with books, and maps, and papers; the second with bows and arrows, knives and tomahawks; the third with spades, axes, hoes and hammers. 'These my sons,' said he, 'are the means by which you are to live; choose among them according to your fancy.'

The white man, being the favorite, had the first choice. He passed by the box of working-tools without notice; but when he came to the weapons for war and hunting, he stopped and looked hard at them. The red man trembled, for he had set his heart upon that box. The white man, however, after looking upon it for a moment, passed on, and chose the box of books and papers. The red man's turn came next; and you may be sure he seized with joy upon the bows and arrows, and tomahawks. As to the black man, he had no choice left, but to put up with the box of tools.

From this it is clear that the Great Spirit intended the white man should learn to read and write; to understand all about the moon and stars; and to make everything, even rum and whisky. That the red man should be a first-rate hunter, and a mighty warrior, but he was not to learn anything from books, as the Great Spirit had not given him any; nor was he to make rum and whisky, lest he should kill himself with drinking. As to the black man, as he had nothing but working-tools, it was clear he was to work for the white and red man, which he has continued to do."

In bearing this attractive volume we cordially recommend it to the lovers of pure, elevated and warm-hearted literature. To the literati it commends itself for the completeness, elegance and elegance of its style. The modern pen is miraculously imitative, and delights in doing something in the same way several times; witness the deplorable corn crop—hot or otherwise; the bewildering phalanx of illiterate writers, and generally all those disciples of the cant and sarcasm school who stalk through our literature in the seven league boots of puffery. Let us hope that this redoubtable literati will find something worthy of imitation in this latest work of America's greatest prose writer.

NEW-YORK CITY.

SHIRT CASE.

Additional Charges against Davis & Co.—More Human Sewing Machines in the Field.

Considerable interest was excited in the Mayor's Court on Saturday and yesterday, in consequence of the alleged fraud perpetrated by DAVIS & Co. upon poor seamstresses, being up for trial.

At the hour appointed each day the Court was crowded and became literally packed as the case proceeded. The parties interested in this case are DAVIS & Co., who have a shirt store in the upper part of No. 29 Warren-street.

Saturday's issue of the DAILY TIMES contained the affidavit of MARGARET BYRNE, taken at the Mayor's office, in which she stated substantially that she had applied for work at the shirt store of JOHN DAVIS & SON, in Warren-street; had received some shirts to make from a woman in the store; had been required to make a deposit of two dollars as security for the return of the work; had finished the work and returned it, when the woman refused to return the two dollars, although she was willing to forego any compensation for the work; and finally, that she believed it was the intention of the said DAVIS & SON, owners of the store, to defraud her of that amount. On this affidavit, SARAH DAVIS, a daughter of the senior partner of the firm, who was the woman referred to in the affidavit, was arrested. An examination was demanded. The following evidence was elicited before the Justice:

John Davis, Jr., sworn: I am a clerk of John Davis & Son; my sister, the defendant here, is named Sarah; we advertise for operatives to make shirts to supply shirts to Western and Southern trade; in answer to advertisements numerous operatives are in the habit of responding; we take the $2 to protect ourselves from having the girls spoil, pledge or sell the work; when this girl applied for work, $2 security were demanded of her, which, I presume, she paid, and then her name and the amount were placed on the record; I presume she got the money to pay, as the defendant now present; the first time I saw the plaintiff was yesterday afternoon, when I examined the shirts and told her that they were not made correctly, but that one was near enough, and I would take it in; I told her to alter them, and she wished some one in the room to do it, and said she did not care for the pay; I told her I did not wish her to work for nothing, and she had better alter them; she said she did not wish to alter them; I asked the girls if they would alter them; they said they had enough to do; the shirts were not spoilt; they were valueless in any manner, but not salable; we employ from 500 hands in and out of the City, generally, but at present we have only about 200; I kept one of these shirts; their value is 75 cents including labor, the raw material is worth 53 cents; my sister gave the shirts to her, and took the $2 as security; we never take less than $2; I superintend these things, and tell them not to take anything less; I told her if she was a mind to settle, by taking the shirts at 54 to 56 cents each, she might do so, and I would settle in that way; the shirts now shown by the plaintiff have been altered; one of them would be acceptable to me; both of them are now right; one of them perfectly so, and the other is a little out but near enough to pass; I say the shirts have been altered since, and if the shirts had been altered at the store I would have settled with her; I told her I would not settle until they were altered.

Sarah Maloney, sworn: I work for John Davis; I work in the workroom; know the complainant; saw her there yesterday; she brought back some shirts; she was required to alter the shirts by Mr. and Miss Davis; she brought in three shirts; they examined them, and said they were middle, and she should alter them; she did not seem satisfied to do so; I saw the shirts—they were not properly done; she demanded her $2 deposit; Davis said he would pay for them when they were altered; I do not think the shirts have been altered since; they are not properly done now.

The Justice dismissed the further hearing of it until yesterday morning.

During the examination, Mrs. BYRNE stated that she did not refuse to alter the shirts as directed, but that she asked Miss DAVIS for a needle and thread to do so, which was refused her; that she then left, and went to a store in Chambers-street, where she borrowed one, and then made the alterations required, and took them back to DAVIS's store.

The case was resumed yesterday morning in the Mayor's Office, before Judge OSBORNE. Miss DAVIS and her brother appeared, accompanied by their lawyer, and some others from the same establishment, embracing seamstresses, Jew drummers and runners. In addition to the complaint already before the Court, an additional one was preferred by another poor victim against the same parties who owed her $3, for shirts which she had made for them. This sum with an additional $2, given as the *usual* security required by those people, she sought to have restored. The affidavit sworn:

Mayor's Office, City and County of New-York, ss.—*Mary Gilroy*, of No. 344 Mott-street, being duly sworn, deposes and says: That she has been working for the store of John Davis & Son, making shirts; that on commencing to work for said store she was required to leave a deposit of $2; that on returning her work at various times she was told by Sarah Davis, now here, on deponent's demanding payment for the work, that they had no money; that during the time she worked for said store she has only been able to get money on two occasions, when she got two dollars at each time; and deponent has frequently demanded of said Sarah Davis a settlement and a return of the deposit, but the same was at each time refused; deponent further said that she thinks it impossible to get a settlement, she took out some work, (a dozen of shirts) and has kept the same for a week, in order to enforce a settlement from the parties, and for that purpose has been to the store twice during the said week, but settlement at each time was denied; and there is due to deponent as she believes, from said parties about $5. MARY GILROY.

Sworn to before me, Feb. 26, 1855.
E. W. OSBORN, Police Justice.

Hereupon the Justice called the parties interested before him, when the lawyer appeared, and attempted a defence of Miss DAVIS, of the firm of DAVIS & SON, No. 29 Warren-street. It did not amount to much, nor carried much weight with the Justice. It consisted, first, in a sneering and supercilious reference to the report given of the proceedings of Saturday, in which the reporters present fell under the lash of the legal gentleman. He said that these gentlemen had their antipathies and sympathies strangely excited,—the impulsions must be met, and the charges made against this highly respectable house.

Justice OSBORNE desired him to go on, and asked him what he wished to prove?

The Lawyer said he wished to show the necessity of such houses demanding security for work given out.

Justice OSBORNE—Well, go on, Sir, but I will be obliged to rule it out.

LAWYER—I will prove the general practice of requiring deposits.

Justice OSBORNE—Well, go on, Sir, but he did not want the general practice,—this is a particular charge, and no evidence has been as yet adduced to nullify it.

DAVIS, Jun., said he wished they had carried this on for a number of years.

The lawyer wished to show that other houses did so.

The Judge here observed that if the parties had no further evidence to bring forward on the matter, that he would summarily dispose of it, and would require the parties to give $300 bail.

The lawyer urged that he had a young woman present whom he wished to examine. She seemed very reluctant to be sworn, when the lawyer, in an excited tone, said: "She must come forward and be sworn, no matter if you have scruples on that head." She said that her name was ANN DAVIS, and had worked three years for Mr. DAVIS, and lived at No. 25 Vandewater-street; when well acquainted with parties, they gave out sometimes six and seven dozen shirts at a time; she was not present when the young girl present demanded work, but was there when she returned with it on Friday; as they made such a noise, I could not hear what passed; Miss DAVIS complained that the shirt not badly; Miss DAVIS told her, when the work was properly done that her $2 would be returned; did not hear the girl refuse to alter the work.

MARGARET BYRNE was the next witness called. Miss DAVIS demanded a deposit of $2 from her when she went for work on Monday last, and brought the money on the following morning, when she got work; they looked if they brought back on Thursday; the house was too full, the collar did not stitched; the five sleeves too short; the waistbands too long; witness said she did all in her power to please her; one of the bosom hands of the house was a small bit bad about; she gave a new one to put on, which was done; but yet she didn't seem pleased; she would not allow this to be done in the store, but witness was obliged to go to a place in East Broadway and do it, and again brought it back; at the same time declared that she would not give back the $2 till it was done right. Witness in reply to the Judge said that she wished to give up her claim for payment for the work done if she retained the $2 deposited, to which proposition of the poor seamstress Miss DAVIS would not agree; but wished, in addition to the forfeiture of the money, to make sale of the shirts at the rate of 56 cents a piece, which offer the witness very naturally declined. "As they would not fit her." They did not even offer to pay for the shirt that pleased them, and Miss DAVIS refused to refund the $2 till the work was finished to her satisfaction. Query, when will that be?

The decision was reserved till this morning.

The lawyer said that he understood that there was another case against the same house, and wished to have it proceeded with.

The Judge said that he was not ready, and would, as he said before, reserve his decision.

The parties left the office.

THE IMPRISONED BELGIANS.

Letter from Mayor Wood to Hon. John Wheeler.

MAYOR'S OFFICE, NEW-YORK, Feb. 26, 1855.

Hon. JOHN WHEELER:

Dear Sir: In reply to your inquiries respecting the Belgians lately in confinement in this City, I have the honor to advise that they are now at liberty, and beyond the control of the authorities, except so far as they may become amenable to our laws hereafter.

Judge ROSEVELT, of the Supreme Court, released them on the fifth inst, and they are now at large, whether for weal or woe, remains to be seen.

I resisted this proceeding, and hence am conscious of having discharged my duty. However much crime or destitution may be increased among us in consequence, I shall feel no self-reproach. I cannot, nevertheless, but express regret that they should have been released so summarily at this time. I never counseled their detention in prison, but advised that they should be returned to Antwerp, and but for this application to the Courts, they would have been now on their way thither. Their discharge in this manner will, I fear, nullify my efforts to prevent the immigration of criminals and paupers into this country. It appears to establish the fact that the Courts defied their introduction. Any action of the municipal authorities hereafter to counteract this will be looked upon as illegal, and will be entirely futile. An order that they shall not land will be met by smuggling them on shore, when, if arrested and imprisoned, a writ of *habeas corpus* sets them at liberty to depredate upon our lives and property.

It may not be known to you that very extensive preparations are now being made in Germany, in Belgium, and other nations of Europe, for further importation of the same class of people. In Switzerland, the pauper-tory movements have been so extensive, that the Cantonal Governments are now legislating as to the cheapest and best mode of getting them away.

A singular fact in connection with the public property of the towns and villages of Switzerland adds an additional inducement to the banishment of their paupers and criminals: The lands and forests belong to the communes, and in many instances would amount in value to 500 or to 700 francs per individual. The local authorities, therefore, have a double object in getting rid of the poor. The expense of their support, and of the evils of their crime, are not only removed forever, but the proprietory interest of those remaining is increased by getting rid of so large a portion of the population. Official statements show that in some of the districts one-sixth of the whole population subsist by public alms.

The principles of self-preservation from the evils of criminal and pauper immigration, recommended by me, are fully understood in Switzerland. These villages and communes are far more jealous of their own local interest, even against each other, than we have shown ourselves against foreign nations.

A pauper resident in one canton is not permitted to become a resident of another canton. Every one visiting into another canton, even under the plea of looking for work, is closely watched, and the passports and papers with which they must always be provided closely examined. The same, and even to a greater extent, is the case in Germany. None dare venture into a neighboring State without a passport and other requisite papers; and if he is found in a canton (for on the borders of a country every one must show a certain sum of money,) he is immediately ordered back—and, if necessary, transferred forcibly back—by the police, fearful that by entering they will become a public charge.

This appears to be the domestic policy of these countries towards each other, but who, however, have no compunctions of conscience, or regard for our rights, in transferring these outcasts to our care. However contending with each other as to the care of these outcasts, they appear to make common cause in sending them upon us. Therefore, in not receiving them, and in forcibly sending them back, we but follow the policy of the countries from whence they come.

I regret that we have not in this instance followed so good an example. The inherent right of every community to protect itself from the ingress of dangerous persons cannot be questioned. "Self-preservation is the first law of nature." Why is it that quarantine regulations are adopted, but to prevent the introduction of contagion into cities? And if it is right to exclude contagion, why is it wrong to exclude what is equally fatal and destructive? Do we protect ourselves from this evil? Does this decision protect us from it? Are not the efforts of the City authorities worthy of some support from the courts in a matter of such paramount importance to the people of this City?

The late Grand Jury of this City say, in their presentment: "In connection with the subject, the Grand Jury would call the public attention to the sources of our crime and pauperism. They found that in the institutions visited by them fully three-fourths of the inmates were of foreign birth. While the City must maintain those now upon its hands, it is no part of its duty to bear the burden of the crime, lunacy and pauperism of foreign countries. If we had to maintain only that which originates among us the burden would be comparatively light. While we would extend welcome and encouragement to the industrious, and well-disposed emigrant, from every country, we should, as far as possible, prevent the entrance, among us of those who must become a public charge."

The number of alien passengers who arrived at this port last year was 310,262, of which 105,000 were from Germany and Switzerland.

My observation and experience within the past three months, have forced me to the conclusion that it is in a portion of the emigration from these countries that our institutions are to receive their greatest shock, our security the greatest taints, and our local taxation its largest addition.

I do not wish to be understood as asserting that this emigration is detrimental as a whole. Among them are many honest, industrious and thrifty people, whose presence here may be called a blessing to the country; but it is to that portion that I allude, who, like the Belgians, have been sent out of their own country as either paupers or criminals.

If nearly two hundred thousand found their way here in 1854, (many being transferred directly from the ship to the almshouse,) when it was a doubtful question whether our authorities had not the power to expel or imprison them, how many may we not look for when it is known abroad that a single application of a writ of habeas corpus will place them at large, in defiance of all municipal regulations!

The process of filling our prisons and almshouses has now become simplified. The foreign government who desires to rid itself of this burden, has but to instruct its minister or consul to engage the services of some attorney at the port in this country where it is to be sent, and a writ is taken out, and "the deed is done."

In view of these facts, I need not add that legislation is demanded without delay, to put a stop to it. I hope Congress will do something for us. The country can be served in no better or more effectual manner, as far as it respects the welfare of the people.

Very respectfully yours,
FERNANDO WOOD, Mayor.

Claims of Detailed Police Officers—Decision against the Corporation.

Some two weeks since we published a full report of the arguments of Counsel in the General Term of the Superior Court, in the suit of Capt. GEORGE W. WALLING, of the Eighteenth Ward Police, for a claim of $70 against the Mayor, Aldermen and Commonalty of the City of New-York for "back pay." During the month of September, 1853, the Common Council passed an ordinance, making provision for detailed policemen to receive the usual pay of $600 instead of $500, which was the former pay received by all members of the Police Department. The ordinance was to have taken effect from the 1st day of the previous January. Comptroller FRICE expressed an opinion "that the Common Council had no right to make this said ordinance retrospective," and so refused to pay any of the claims. Such of the Police officers as were interested in the matter, filed their claims—(amounting to $15,000 or $20,000)—in the hands of HENRY L. CRIMMEN for collection, and a suit filed in the name of George W. WALLING was brought in order to ascertain the liability of the Corporation. A verdict for the plaintiff was finally obtained in the Superior Court, and the City authorities carried the cause before Chief Justice OAKLEY, and Judges DUER and BLOGGET of the same Court. Yesterday the Court rendered a decision in favor of the Police; and entered a judgment for the full amount to be entered for the plaintiff. Some two hundred officers are interested in this important matter. It is supposed that the decision will involve the City in an outlay of some $30,000 or $40,000, (including costs of suits.) The professional services of Mr. CRIMMEN in this long and tedious suit have been warmly applauded by the claimants.

Sale of Real Estate.

The property on the southwest corner of Fourteenth-street and Eighth-avenue, lately known as the Knickerbocker Bank—lot 25 feet 9½ inches wide front and rear, and 75 feet deep, building four stories in height, brown stone front, with elevated basement, and covering the entire lot, was sold at auction yesterday at the Merchants' Exchange, by order of the United States Trust Company of New-York, for $31,000. AMBROSE C. KINGSLAND, Esq., was the purchaser. The property cost some time since $46,000.

The Central Park.

The Committee on Lands and Places of the Board of Councilmen, held a meeting in the City Library yesterday afternoon, in relation to the Central Park. But one gentleman (Mr. MURPHY) interested in the proposed measure appeared before them, and he submitted an intermediate plan which, if adopted, he claims, will reduce the expenses of the land over 50 per cent, and increase the surface over 70 per cent. The Committee expressed themselves unanimously in favor of Mr. MURPHY's plan. They will hold another meeting on the subject before making their report.

Fire in Broadway.

A fire broke out at 2½ o'clock A. M. yesterday in the building No. 566 Broadway, occupied by Mr. DECOURSE, Piano-forte Manufacturer, as a warehouse, and by Mr. DEVESE as a Millinery establishment. The building, owned by Mr. HILTON, was damaged to the amount of about $2,000. The stock in the millinery establishment was almost entirely destroyed; insured for $2,200. A large amount of the stock in the piano-forte warerooms was also destroyed; insured for $3,000 in the St. Nicholas Insurance Company. The origin of the fire has not been ascertained. The building was formerly the residence of the late JOHN JACOB ASTOR.

Fire in Franklin-street.

At 3½ o'clock yesterday morning the residence of Mr. GRACOW, No. 118 Franklin-street, was discovered on fire. The flames were extinguished without the aid of the firemen. Damage trifling.

Board of Supervisors.

The Board met pursuant to adjournment, his Honor the Mayor in the Chair, the Recorder and a quorum of members present. The minutes of the last meeting were read and approved.

REPORTS ADOPTED.

That the petitions of A. B. Miller and the congregation of "Shira Zadich" be referred to the Board of Aldermen. In favor of remitting the personality taxes, assessed against Oscar Jelly, W. H. Townsend and others, be remitted in accordance with the prayer of the petitioners.

COMMUNICATION TO BE PRESENTED.

From F. W. Edmonds, City Chamberlain, enclosing his annual statement of mortgages, moneys, bonds and other securities held by him, in accordance with the requirements of the act of 1848.

BILLS PAID.

Of David A. Forbes for engrossing General Index of Letter B, $45 75. Of Z. H. Watts for copying Index Letter H, $87.

On motion the Board adjourned to Monday next.

Mayor's Complaint Book.

The order on the Mayor's Book, with regard to ash carts, pretending to come from this office, did not do so.

The complaints yesterday were as follows:

A citizen lodged a complaint against a party residing at No. 14 Walker-street for keeping and occupying a part of these premises for improper purposes.

Theodore Wheeler, No. 41 Broadway, and fifteen others, complain of Tin Pot-alley as being in a very bad condition, and in almost impassable.

John T. Gratten, No. 737 Eighth-avenue, that there is a Dutch woman resides at No. 729 same avenue who throws her ashes in front of his house, and, besides, shakes her carpet.

W. Hard, No. 81 West Forty-fourth-street, that the lots in West Twenty-eighth-street want fences.

A. Michelbacher, No. 206 Second-avenue, states that he has repeatedly complained at the Eighteenth Ward Station-house, about a nuisance arising from the stable on lot No. 200 Second-avenue, at present occupied by Mr. Hunt, of the firm of Cornwell, Williams & Co.

Hetty complains of the Croton line of stages, running from the Croton Reservoir, through Broadway, to Fulton Ferry, have their steps behind said stages *too high* for the accommodation of the public, and hopes that they may be taken down "a peg."

The Case of Capt. Fillett and the Brig "Balizaire"—Explanatory.

To the Editor of the New-York Daily Times:

As Captain Fillett has been lately without cause very roughly handled by the United States Courts of this City, and as his name has been held up by the press in connection with one of the greatest crimes known to our laws, it is but fair that an explanation of the circumstances should be allowed in his behalf.

Capt. Fillett contracted in June last with Messrs. Lupton & McDiarmid of Greenpoint, L. I., to build the brig *Balizar* for the trade between this port and Tampico, but before the vessel was in frame, financial embarrassments obliged these gentlemen to suspend their operations, and Captain Fillett, consequently had to rent a portion of their shipyard and dwelling, the vessel himself. Among the mechanics who presented themselves to the Captain for employment was a man named Alexander Knowles. After having worked on the vessel three quarters of a day, for which he received ninety-four cents, he was discharged by Captain Fillett, although men that could work on vessels were at the time very much needed.

Knowles presently started the story that Capt. Fillett was the man he had seen as Captain Kraft in 1839, on the coast of Africa in command of the schooner *Adventure* (afterwards condemned as intended for a slaver,) when Mr. Knowles, who employed no cooper on board the United States steam-of-war Germantown, then the flagship of the African squadron under command of Commodore Lavalette; and, moreover, that the *Balizar* was being built by Captain Fillett for the Slave-Trade.

Captain Fillett heard a repetition of these stories, but attached no importance to them. The brig was launched on the 10th of last December; and about the middle of January commenced loading for Tampico. A little before 10 o'clock on the afternoon of Saturday, 27th ult., Capt. Fillett was arrested while on board of his vessel by United States Deputy Marshal Horton, on the affidavit of Knowles to the effect stated; and no every one authorized to accept bail left the Marshal's Office, according to custom, at 3 o'clock, Capt. Fillett was sent to the Tombs where he was confined till the next Monday evening, when on the suggestion of the United States District Attorney, Mr. McKeon, bail was accepted for $5,000 by Commissioner Morton, who finally informed himself to go to the prison late in the evening to release the Captain.

Although Mr. McKeon gave the case his prompt attention, the examination lasted some two weeks, as several witnesses on the part of the Government were sent for from distant points. The only witnesses who swore positively to the identity of Captain Fillett with Capt. Kraft, were Knowles and an Irish musician of the Germantown named McNeil, while their superior officers Com. Lavalette and Lieut. Rogers, who had had better opportunity for judging, said only that their impressions were that Capt. Fillett and Capt. Kraft were one, while Lieuts. Strain and Sinclair, both produced by the Government, swore positively that such was not the case. All the witnesses brought forward by Capt. Fillett gave their evidence unhesitatingly to the fact that Capt. Fillett is a man of well-known high standing, and, at the time specified in the affidavit, was in command of the schooner *Amphitrite*, sailing out of New-Orleans to various ports in the Gulf of Mexico, and the whole weight of the testimony was so undoubtedly in favor of Capt. Fillett that at the conclusion of the examination Commissioner Morton, without allowing it to be summed up, discharged and fully exonerated Capt. Fillett to the satisfaction of every one present except Mr. Jenkins, one, the District Attorney's learned assistant, who seemed to think that there was sufficient evidence to warrant the Captain being remanded for trial.

Since the examination Capt. Fillett has received a letter from the owners of the *Amphitrite*, Messrs. Borelli & Co., of New-Orleans, and a certificate under the seal of that Custom-House, proving that from March 26, 1852, to April 30, 1853, inclusive, he arrived at that port in command of the schooner *Amphitrite*, five different times, and cleared on them,—once for Charges, once for Navy Bay, once for Mobile and twice for Tampico, and that nothing wanting beyond the examination itself to make the papers are in the hands of Mr. Hepburn, of South William-street, who, when they can be sent at any time.

It is to be hoped that this case may be a lesson to the authorities to be more careful in receiving evidence on which to arrest an innocent man for a crime whose punishment is death. We should add, that Capt. Fillett has for the last ten or fifteen years commanded American vessels out of the port of New-Orleans, and as the evidence of his character was abundant, it is to be feared the startling fact that he had on freight for his outward charge from Mexican ports, hundreds of thousands of dollars in specie. One out of twenty of taking pay vessels, as *Amphitrite*, sailing out of New-Orleans, carried more than eighty thousand dollars.

He is well known to Messrs. Wm. Lobach & Schepper, Negretti & Lozani, Horace Scutmayd & Sons, Sidera & Olivera—all merchants of this City; to Salas, Dorf Fraudisci de Armenta, Jaen Montoya, Consul General to Mex. Alex Chase of Tampico, at present in Washington City, and to the leading men in New-Orleans, Havana, and the various ports of Mexico.

NEW-YORK, Saturday, Feb. 24, 1855.

LAW INTELLIGENCE.

COURT CALENDAR—TUESDAY.

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT.—Nos. 62, 68, 82 to 90.

SUPREME COURT—General Term.—Nos. 54, 55.

SUPREME COURT—Circuit.—Nos. 1288, 1289, 1290, 1292, 1294, 1296, 1298, 1720, 1722, 1724, 1726 to 1730, 1732.

SUPREME COURT.—Nos. 114, 494, 721, 623, 128, 592, 627, 628, 702, 530 to 562, 568 to 576, 578 to 579, 581 to 585, 589 to 592, 595 to 597, 577, 599.

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT.

Before Judge Betts.

MOTION TO STRIKE OUT PLEADINGS—VERIFICATION—PERSONAL ANSWER.

The United States vs. The Steamboat Massachusetts.—On the coming in of the process in this cause, the claim and answer of George Harvey, owner to by T. Ockenmith, Agent, was filed, to which an exception was filed by the United States District Attorney, contesting the right of stockholders in appear. An amended libel was afterwards filed, and also an amended answer put in the same way, and several days after the District Attorney made a motion to strike out the answer from the files, the answer and amended answer, as not conforming to the 30th Rule of the Supreme Court

New-York Daily Times.

NEW-YORK, TUESDAY, FEB. 27, 1855.

The presentation to Congress of the sword worn by General Jackson at the battle of New-Orleans, was a prominent feature in the proceedings of both Houses yesterday. The sword was presented to the late Gen. Armstrong, by Gen. Jackson, but a short time previous to his death; and now, the recipient having passed away, his family transfer the gift to Congress. In the Senate the presentation was made by Senator Case, whose speech on the occasion may be found in our Congressional report this morning. He was followed by Senator Hall; and in the House Col. Brown and a number of others made speeches appropriate to the occasion. A joint resolution, accepting the sword and returning the thanks of Congress to the family of the late General Armstrong, was passed unanimously. In the Senate the Naval Reform bill was passed, after a long debate.

American Opinions of England.

It is said that a prisoner who was asked if he would be tried by God and his country, expressed perfect readiness to be tried by his country, but objected to the other part of the method, because "*He* knew all about it." Although the answer was so stupid that we rather enjoy than smile at it, we ourselves—all of us are not exempt to adopt the course of that poor simpleton. It cannot be denied that many journalists do try questions less by their merits than by the conventional standard of the national taste and prejudices. Indeed, it is usual in all countries. The opinion of an Englishman, if he is full of his own prejudices, is more easy of attack than a temperate argument in vindication of England; and the worst opinions expressed by the British Press, without a doubt are those which find most currency in this country. They are selected in accordance with foregone conclusions; and very slowly, indeed, has been the change in the British Government to the knowledge of the American people. Nor is there wanting a seemingly just retribution in this, for nationally, as well as individually, we must behave well a long time before a reputation once tarnished can be retrieved.

The war with Russia has brought out many expressions of ill-will to England. Not because Russia is liked. Her Government is the very incarnation of physical force, and most opposite of all to Republicanism; and Americans know this very well. But recollections of the Revolutionary war and the war of 1812-'15, give a tone to national ideas. Occasion has been taken lately, and very naturally, for rehearsing stories of British cruelty, perpetrated in a century which has passed away,—indulging, perhaps, a hope that America may be revenged by Russia in the last half of the present century. We should not forget, however, that *the people of* England had very little voice in the councils which produced that war—that, compared with their present state of intelligence, such as it is, their ignorance at that time was wonderful—and that probably not one man in England, who can read, regrets that America was successful in the Revolution.

Most of all, let us ask, what did England consist of then? Neither her real nor personal estate is meant by the word "England," but by it we mean the men and women who lived then. Concede that they should be punished for the errors and crimes of those days. Bring them to the bar. But where are they to be found now? Many of them emigrated to this country, and their descendants are part of the American people. If revenge is to be hereditary, we must punish these Americans, for they are as guilty as the modern English. But all who inflicted injury upon America at that time are dead now, except, perhaps, a few decrepid, worn-out men. Where, then, shall vengeance fall? Carry it, if possible, to the next world—its objects are not living in this.

That England did us much wrong, none can deny. But still, we may show her, what is true of most masses of men, not absolutely barbarian,—that the spirit of her people is just and generous; and that in the present war, foolish and unprofitable as it is, and wasteful of the lives of as brave men as the world has ever seen, as it certainly has been,—the chief origin *in the mind of the people* was a noble sympathy with Poland, Hungary and Turkey; and a determination to afford that "material aid," about which so much was said in America and so little was done.

British treatment of Ireland has its full share, too, in the American feeling; and yet how great a change has the conduct of England undergone in this respect, during the last thirty years. In public opinion here, the reaction, favorable on this point to England, has already taken place; and for this she has to thank not her greater justice, but the vituperative conduct of certain Irishmen in America.

With one breath the Irish here speak favorably of the English people, and with the next they use such words as "eternal hatred to England,"—meaning, in fact, to her people. And yet this principle of hatred to any people is always a bad one. How soon has it brought its own reaction here, where the naturalized Englishman has to choose between the liberal principles of Catholic Emancipation, and the Orangeism of the Know-Nothing doctrine! Those who hate Popery because it is prescriptive and intolerant, are compelled to struggle lest the Irish Catholic should be disfranchised. The best citizens of a true Republic can never forget that they are also citizens of the world. It is well to seek our own rights; but heaved of men, when it is in power, to cause to lead to injustice. For England, for Ireland, America, Germany, Russia, Hungary, Algiers and the world there is only one principle. It may be called "fraternity," "solidarity," "*good will to men*," or by any other name—but it is not prejudice to hatred.

An old divine, with a quaintness almost amounting to buffoonery, in the application he gives to the figure, speaks of a courtier, who, going into a sequestered region, is ridiculed for his mode of speech and the fashion of his dress, and yet he careth not, because he knoweth they are the fashion at Court. In the same way, although deemed wrong, when judged by the conventional standard of national prejudices and the passing opinion of the day, he who combines the spirit of truth, justice and Christianity with his patriotism, may be well satisfied that with all good and wise men he is in fashion—as he is in the permanent and Highest Court.

The Amazon and the La Plata.

The Post-office employés at Washington have for more than a year had their hands full of work, putting into the mails a report on the region of the Amazon and its tributaries. And this glowing account of the fertility and boundless resources of that equatorial locality has well nigh led people to believe that it is a veritable earthly Paradise. Some little conversation with parties who have traveled in those parts long ago, led us to doubt whether the universal rose color with which Lieutenants Herndon and Gibbon have tinted all the fields adjacent to the Amazonian waters were entirely natural. All agree in the illimitable resources, the unmitigated heat and the paucity of population, (excepting wild Indians, monkeys and alligators,) of the Great Father of waters, by which term (*Para*,) the aborigines designate the river in question.

Now, if a treaty had been formed with Brazil, opening this great drain of the water sheds of *Northern* South America, what a feasting the happy minister would have received! What quantities of plate, presented to him, would have greeted the eyes of the public in Tiffany & Co.'s window! What laudations would have been showered upon him by mercantile associations and chambers *of commerce!*

Now, it so happens that one of our most meritorious Diplomatic representatives of the late Administration, by treaties, actually secured not only religious and secular rights to our citizens, but the advantages of a large and increasing commerce, in a region of South America already populated by the descendants of Europeans. And yet there has scarcely been a mention of this treaty beyond a brief account of its stipulations, and a mere passing allusion to it in the President's Message. We refer to Hon. Rufz. C. Schenck, of Ohio, late Minister to Brazil, and the treaties made mainly by him with the Argentine Confederation, Uruguay and Paraguay, thereby opening to our countrymen the free navigation of the La Plata and its tributaries—rivers which have a greater combined steamboat navigation than the Mississippi and its branches—and making accessible to us a trade which (throwing aside Paraguay) amounted last year to *four millions of dollars*. For years Japan, with her teeming population, will not reach that mark; and the equatorial, marshy region of the Amazon will not for centuries have a people to trade with beyond a few thousand Portuguese mulattoes and Indians. And yet not only has no notice been taken of this great opening by the public, but last year even Congress refused to pay to Mr. Schenck his just dues, contracted in the performance of this great duty.

Our attention has been called to this gross neglect by an article in a recent number of the *National Intelligencer*. After speaking of the work to be performed in the Argentine Confederation, Uruguay and Paraguay, the article referred to thus sums up in regard to the treaties with the countries above mentioned:

> These treaties provide fully and completely for the wants of a trade now actually existing between the United States and the several Governments bordering on the Rio de la Plata, amounting now to several millions annually, and in the early future certain to be of immense value. They for the first time (for never before could these States be persuaded or coerced to make any treaty whatever with the United States) provided for the absolute rights of persons and property of more than a thousand Americans residing in those countries, who, until these treaties were made, never had any legal rights, even of Protestant worship or Christian burial, not to mention the safety of their lives and property. Was there ever so large an amount of diplomatic service rendered to this Government, and at so small a charge, as has been rendered by Mr. Schenck, or a greater degree of indifference shown as to the result? Ignorance may account for it, but can never excuse this apathy.

But Mr. Schenck has asked for no reward, no compliments or favors, but simply says in his printed memorial to Congress, "*I am entitled by precedents in similar cases to an outfit for each of the two Courts I was sent to and my expenses.*" This was a matter of right and justice, and, with shame be it spoken, for the first time in the history of this country Congress accepted of services it refused to pay for.

Mr. Schenck made *four important treaties*, opening for the first time to the enterprise and capital of the American people the navigation of a river the second in the world, and with its tributaries *traversing a valley as extensive and of richer soil than that of the Mississippi*; and has placed for all time the trade and commerce of the United States and those engaged in it, not only on the footing of the most favored nations, but by express stipulation on the very terms our Government desired and requested.

What is Chartism?

To the Editor of the New-York Daily Times:

Sir: What is Chartism? You accuse Sir James Graham of having been a candidate, at the general election of 1852, on Chartist principles. Does not Chartism mean something like Revolution—almost Red Republicanism?

Your obedient servant,

AN ENGLISHMAN.

The "Five Points of the Charter," as repeatedly declared in petitions to Parliament, as well as by Feargus O'Connor, Ernest Jones, Julian Harney and others, in print and in public speeches, are Universal Suffrage, Vote by Ballot, Annual Parliaments, No Property Qualifications, and Payment of Members of Parliament. This is the extent of all that the Chartists have ever gone for.

Daniel Webster's Homestead, in Franklin, N. H., was sold at auction yesterday for $16,000. Rufus L. Tay was the purchaser.

Low Cases to Prison.

Lee, convicted of manslaughter in the Court of Oyer and Terminer, Brooklyn, last week, was yesterday taken to the State Prison at Sing Sing, to commence his term of 15 years.

☞ The brig *Rosie*, of Portland, from Cardenas, which was cut down by the ice in the North River on the night of the 16th inst., has been raised by the bank derrick of Mr. Rumsey, and is being towed to a Pier in the East River.

Dismissal of the Belgian Prisoners.

Mayor Wood, in a letter addressed to Hon. John Wheeler, which we publish in full, takes broad and strong ground in relation to the question of the importation of foreign paupers and criminals. Upon several occasions recently we have been called to record the action of the Mayor and the authorities of the Belgian Consulates, in regard to the shipload of unfortunate people who came to this port and found themselves arrested in a remarkably expeditious manner. The Mayor has assumed a position in cases of this kind from which he evinces no disposition to recede. On the contrary, his letter, announcing to Mr. Wheeler the discharge of the prisoners on a writ of *habeas corpus* by Judge Roosevelt, gives him occasion for an expression of opinion still stronger than before. It is the first instance since the commencement of the Mayor's term of office in which his efforts for reform have been directly thwarted. In this instance, it is the Courts that have decided a legal point against him. In his letter he argues the case with an exhibition of some feeling. He says he resisted the proceedings of the Court, in so far as appeared to him necessary in order to secure himself from self-reproach for neglect of duty. In acting upon his earnest convictions, he has done all that could have been expected. He expresses a fear, however, that the action of the Supreme Court in this instance, will nullify any future efforts to prevent the immigration of paupers and criminals, and adds that it appears to establish the fact that the Courts defend their introduction. This point, we take it, is not clearly proven. Inasmuch as the Mayor himself was not thoroughly convinced that these people were actually *criminals* in the eye of the law, it was hardly compatible with fairness that they should have been kept in prison for so long a period as they were. They appear to have *suffered the penalties* of crime before they were tried; and for their poverty or their suspicious manners were consigned to jail. Surveillance would seem to have been demanded, but the liberty of the person is too sacred to be tampered with. While we must award great credit to Mr. Wood for the very firm and generally judicious manner in which he has discharged the functions of the Mayoralty thus far, we cannot refrain from expressing the conviction that the Supreme Court has only acted in this matter as it was bound by law to do.

Two hundred members of the Police force have sued the Corporation and recovered damages;—the cause of the trouble being the refusal of the Comptroller to pay to the detailed force of the Department the additional compensation which was ordered by the Common Council. The Police contested the decision of the Comptroller; and the Superior Court, in full Bench, has sustained the appeal. The amount involved, with costs, will probably amount to $50,000.

Amusements.

Wallack's Theatre.—For a change there are few things more acceptable than an old English Comedy. It is historically interesting to descend into that giddy Maelstrom of twaddle and intrigue—a seventeenth century plot. The journey may be accompanied with a few moral bumps, and our conventional ideas as to virtue, matrimony and similar absurdities may be slightly deranged thereby. But when we float to the surface again we can generally afford to laugh at the adventure, for it don't happen—and we don't want it to happen—every day. Some Conellies there are that bear revival satisfactory; others that never should be revived; things that are carrion in the country that gave them birth, and which, as the age progresses, must exhale a more hideous odor even than now. Still there is an ample catalogue whence selection may be made, and Mr. Wallack has resorted to it judiciously in selecting Mrs. Centlivre's comedy of the "Busy Body." This work has not been seen on the stage for some years; is unobjectionable in every sense, and affords ample opportunities for good, sprightly acting, pretty costumes, scenery, *et cetera*.

The moral of the story on which this amusing comedy is constructed teaches that neither parents nor guardians should force the inclinations (matrimonial, of course,) of the young ladies under their charge; and inversely that "bolts and bars fly asunder" when youth and love whisper the needful "open Sesame." In addition to this domestic lesson we gain an instructive morsel of worldly wisdom from the career of *Marplot*—the busy body—who from the eccentric habit of putting his nose into every one's business, very often gets it pulled; and although one of the best fellows in the world, receives as a punishment for his inveterate curiosity more canings than a modern dramatist would care to put on an actor's back. Beyond thus reminding our readers of the leading idea of the plot, we shall speak no further on the subject. The cast last night was as follows:

Sir Francis Gripe	Mr. Blake.
Marplot, (his ward)	Mr. Lester.
Sir Jealous Traffick	Mr. Brougham.
Sir George Airy	Mr. Dyott.
Charles	Mr. Stewart.
Miranda	Mrs. Hoey.
Isabinda	Mrs. Conover.
Patch	Mrs. Stephens.
Scentwell	Mrs. Thompson.

The female characters are not particularly attractive. *Miranda*—the principal—is too hypercritical and too objective. We know what she is aiming at; we know that her object is to "choose" (Mrs. Centlivre's expression) old *Gripe* out of her fortune. But the true woman ought to burst forth occasionally; the man of her heart, and not of her speculation—amiable to be sure under the circumstances—ought to have a chance. Mrs. Hoey played the character in an easy, lady like way; and looked charming and coaxing enough for an older man than *Gripe*. Mrs. Conover and Mrs. Stephens have not much to do, and did not artistically add to their small all. *Scentwell* (*Miranda's* maid) was gracefully and pleasingly rendered by Mrs. Thompson.

The leading male character is the busy-body, *Marplot*—rendered by Mr. Lester in a talking Paul Pry vein, and very good. There was a little exaggeration and bluntness occasionally, however, which time must soften. Mr. Dyott as *Sir George* was active and spirited, quite beyond our expectation; the character is scarcely in his line now, but Mr. Dyott has not forgotten how to make love. Brougham—with a wig like the Sphynx—did all that was possible for *Sir Jealous*. Come we now to *Sir Francis Gripe*. All the incidents in the play indicate the character of this man as hard, cruel, avaricious, and villainous. For four acts and a half Mr. Blake delineates a totally different character; he is mild, unctuous, benevolent, and only cunning, even, in a funny and humorous way. His conduct is causing general finally, and causing everybody to inquire—Is He has certainly been "charmed" out of a wife and a fortune, and otherwise bamboozled into betraying himself as great rogue; but for all that the audience has not been prepared for the extraordinary ferocity of his parting malediction; and indeed, judging from antecedents, had no right to expect anything worse than a joke from him. No one could suppose that so much placidity would terminate in such a violent manner. The fault of Mr. Blake's interpretation is that he makes *Sir Francis*, a great deal too agreeable; all the repulsive features are so subdued that the last outburst seems strange and unnatural. However, this much we must add, that simply as an exhibition of acting, Mr. Blake's performance was admirable.

Mr. Wallack has placed this comedy on the stage in his best manner. The costumes are rich, elegant and correct. Some excellent scenery has also been painted by the artist of the establishment, and altogether we can commend the entertainment as an enjoyable way of spending an evening.

Concert.

Our readers interested in the Hebrew Benevolent Societies must not forget that the Concert for their benefit takes place to-night at Niblo's Saloon. There is a powerful programme.

FROM WASHINGTON.

The Tariff Amendments—Their Effect—The Mexican Government.

Special Correspondence of the N. Y. Daily Times.

Washington, Sunday, Feb. 25, 1855.

The excitement upon the Tariff question has been very great here during the last two days, and I perceive no abatement in the interest on that subject. Members of Congress from Pennsylvania and other States whose industrial interests are to be injuriously affected by the reduction of the Tariff, under the Letcher amendment to the General Appropriational bill, are earnest in their remonstrances and appeals. It is evident that there is to be a serious struggle on this question, and I have little doubt that it will result in the defeat of any and all tampering with the Tariff of '46, except, perhaps, the admission of railroad iron and cheap wool free of duty. Perhaps I shall be deemed overconfident when I express the conviction that the influence of the White House will be exerted to this end. Nevertheless, such is my belief. If I do not much mistake the indications, the prospect of a 20 per cent. reduction of the Tariff at this time, causes much fluttering in that direction. It is well known that Mr. Guthrie does not approve this 20 per cent. scheme, and there is little doubt that the President views with great distrust the prospect of such a reduction of the revenue of the country as will bankrupt the Treasury and bring his Administration in debt. I predict with considerable confidence the failure of this Tariff scheme, after all.

The present week closes the session; and there is yet a great deal of business to be done. Among the great national measures pending is the Pacific Railroad bill, which has passed the Senate and is now in the House. It is to be hoped every member of the latter body who desires the perpetuity of the Union will come up to the work, and vote for this roof which is to bind our Atlantic to our Pacific possessions with bands of iron. A determined, united effort is all that is needed to secure this important measure, and to secure it *now*. The bill will doubtless be moved within a day or two; and if those gentlemen from the North who have generally been classed with the friends of a Pacific Railroad will be true, as I doubt not they will, success is quite certain. What say you, gentlemen,—shall the Pacific Railroad be commenced forthwith?—or shall its initiation be delayed another two years at least? I am inclined to think the bill will pass. *Nous verrons.*

How much longer can the poor, shattered, misgoverned Republic of Mexico survive the shocks of internal revolution, and the dishonesty and selfishness of her rulers? This question is often repeated now-a-days, when each mail from Vera Cruz brings us intimations of new plots and counter-plots, and the various evidences of the spasmodic throes of political dissolution. Gentlemen recently from that country, and who seem familiar with her political and financial condition, are decided in the opinion that Santa Anna's Government must soon fall; but they also express the conviction that there is no other man in the country, and no other system of internal policy that his, which can restore strength and safety to the crumbling fabric of the Mexican Republic. With the mass of the people of Mexico, selfishness is the ruling passion; and the few who have a few grains of patriotism in their souls, have abandoned every hope of a better state of things, until the United States shall swallow up the whole country, and so save it from the anarchy which must certainly speedily succeed Santa Anna's downfall.

If order is ever brought out again from the chaotic Mexican mass, there is little doubt it must be by means of the United States. The Mexican Treasury is absolutely bankrupt. The seven millions paid under the Gadsden Treaty was all exhausted by drafts to fulfill engagements made prior to its receipt; and six weeks after Santa Anna received news that the Treaty was ratified and the money ready, he could not lay hands upon a dollar of it. Sometime ago he drew in advance against the remaining three millions, due under the Treaty, and his drafts of course were protested. This put him in a very tight place again, and he called upon his favorite, Escandon, a wealthy merchant of Mexico, to help him out. Escandon consented to help him, and did so at a shave which netted only $1,500,000 to the Mexican Government. The other million and a half will probably divide with Santa Anna, after the latter retires from the country.

The manner in which this was arranged is a sample of most of the Governmental monetary transactions of Mexico. Escandon contracted to advance the three millions, one half in cash, and in the other half in evidence of the national indebtedness, any amount of which can always be had at 12 cents on the dollar. So that, at the expenditure of $180,000 Escandon gets $1,320,000 profits. This is a sort of operation which Santa Anna has made very frequently; but it is a system of financiering not likely to extricate a country from its difficulties. The iron rule of the Viceroys was infinitely better for the Mexican people, than is the corrupt, demoralized Government of the men who control the destinies of Mexico.

Prompt.

A letter from Newburyport, dated Dec. 19, 1854, postmarked the same day, and reposted from San Francisco without change of envelope, and moreover very plainly superscribed, has come to hand. Some down east Postmaster must be somewhat curiously affected as to their eye sight.

☞ We have been requested to correct the name of George S. Drew, Plumber, published as being one of the captured Gamblers, to George S. Drew, Painter.

☞ We learn that the youngest son of the deceased poet Fairchild has become insane, and that he is now an inmate of the Bloomingdale Asylum.

Wallabout Canal.

A petition, numerously signed, was sent into the Brooklyn Common Council last evening, asking that a canal may be constructed from Wallabout Bay to Newtown Creek. The petitioners say that a canal at this place is necessary for the purposes of drainage, and that any amount of sediment which for navigable purposes would, besides affording the contract, be of general benefit to the city. The matter was referred to the Committee.

STATE AFFAIRS.

Special Correspondence of the N. Y. Daily Times.

Albany, Monday, Feb. 26, 1855.

The Senate did much work this morning in Committee of the Whole. Most of the bills considered were private claim bills, and none were of a general interest.

There was but a working quorum in the House, and little done, except the passage of several local bills, and the bill to amend the Banking Laws, which was pushed rapidly under the auspices of Mr. Beardsley. It is designed generally to enable the Bank Superintendent more effectually to prevent rotten bankers from swindling the public, and especially to provide for the speedy redemption of the bills of the Knickerbocker, Empire City and other totally defunct Banking Institutions.

A JOKE DESTROYED A REALITY.

Some weeks since a noted barber of New-York visited Albany, and of course looked in upon the gentlemen of the Assembly. Seeing his presence, Mr. Murray took that occasion to give notice of a bill to close all barbers' shops on Sundays. It was designed as a temporary joke, over which Murray and the barber had a laugh and a bottle of wine, and nobody bothered over thought that anything more would come of it. But destiny appears to have had marked out in her book a further hearing and a more defined movement. The New-York papers, unable to see the little joke, and not knowing the individual who had moved the notion, treated the matter seriously—discussed the propriety of the proposed enactment—arrived at the conclusion that it was just and proper—convinced the barbers that they were doing a great wrong; and of their duty in the premises. How was it, they asked, that barbers' shops enjoyed greater immunities than rum shops—how comes it, they demanded, that barbers are not protected by law, and Sundays sanctified to them as a day of rest and opportunity for attending divine worship—and they so insisted on it all, that the barbers simultaneously and with one accord vowed a vow that there should be no more shaving (of faces) on the Sabbath, and that they would petition the Legislature for "an act to prohibit shaving, shampooing, hair-cutting, whisker-dying, etc., etc." And they did petition the Legislature, at great length, and with most convincing arguments, and Mr. Murray duly presented their petition, and it had a special reference and a select Committee, composed of the following individuals: Messrs. Murray, O'Keefe, Maguire, Bearing and Rhodes. Of course we shall have a report, and a bill, and thereafter a law, and I should not wonder if the law were no joking matter, though it be the offspring of a joke, and the fruits of a joke.

THE NEW-YORK CIVIL LIST.

The Committee on the Expenditures of the House this morning presented a joint resolution in favor of purchasing a supply of the *New-York Civil List*, for the use of the Legislature. The report was accepted, and the resolution adopted and sent to the Senate for concurrence. I hope it will succeed in the upper branch, for the book is a necessity, and should receive the encouragement and endorsement of the State. It contains more useful information than I ever before knew comprised within 450 pages. In fact there is little connected with the administration of State affairs that does not find mention.

THE MINDOED IN COUNCIL.

If the following statement of things that occurred in the course of the session of the Barker Order of Know-Nothings, lately assembled at Syracuse, are not reliable, I shall feel bound to correct them upon due proof being presented by responsible and knowing parties.

Among those present, and members of the Senate and Assembly, were Messrs. Ambrose Stevens, Lewis Jones Fox, F. W. Wadsworth and Senator Gerken. The most important business transacted on the first day was the election of officers, which resulted in the choice of the following:

James W. Barker	President.
Ambrose Stevens	Vice President.
H. Farrington	Secretary.
C. L. Shaw	Assistant Secretary.
Joseph Taylor	Treasurer.

And the following persons were elected delegates and substitute delegates, to represent the State in the National Councils:

1. James W. Barker, New-York	Daniel Ullmann.
2. T. J. Lyons, Westchester	R. Graves.
3. L. S. Parsons, Albany	A. S. Wygant.
4. S. Sammons, Montgomery	W. A. Russell.
5. (Drew out.)	
6. G. Vedder	J. M. Cutley.
7. E. R. Mastry, Cortlandt	J. T. Morse.
8. Maurice Sayrs, Jr., Buffalo	M. Sayrs.

The Committee were instructed so as to provide for the admission of native-born Protestants of foreign born Protestant parentage. The subject of further amendments on this head was referred to a Committee, with the understanding that they should report in July in favor of admitting foreign-born Protestants who had been in the country 21 years.

The representation from subordinate Councils was changed from three delegates to one from each Council, who is to be elected annually at the May meeting.

The annual meetings are permanently located at Syracuse. Each county which wishes may elect its own District Deputies, one or more, according to the convenience of the case. They are to be chosen within the next thirty days, by the local Delegates in the Grand Council.

These changes were demanded by the country, and the G. P. Mr. Barker admitted their justice, and warmly supported them on the floor. Strange as it may seem, Mr. Stevens opposed these modifications.

Mr. Stevens, as Vice President, presided a considerable portion of the session, but did not come up to the advertisement, getting so much befogged on one occasion as to make it necessary for Mr. Barker to resume his seat to straighten out matters.

NOT AN APPLICANT.

I am confident that a mistake was made when it was stated that Mr. F. S. Lyttleton wanted the office of Harbor Master. That gentleman has full as much business on his hands now as any one person can well attend to, and certainly no desire to become the holder of any such office. J. B. S.

The Sunday Liquor Traffic—A Quiet Sunday.

Last Sunday was by far the quietest day New-York has seen in many a long year. The most scrupulous denizen of Gotham must have been highly gratified when observing the change which has taken place in this City as regards the order which has been preserved on the Sabbath, and which has been brought about through the strenuous exertions of its indefatigable Mayor. We have no doubt that it is his intention to preserve this day so, and instead of relaxing his efforts in bringing about, so desirable a reform, he will use every endeavor to the effect that each succeeding week we may have the pleasure to chronicle an additional improvement.

The closing of the liquor places on that day appears now to have become a settled fact, and the proprietors of those places begin to find out that it is useless "to kick against the pricks." The Mayor is determined that the dram shops shall be closed, and he is made of that kind of calibre which does not easily turn aside when he has determined to accomplish any object.

The returns from the reserve corps and the Captains of the various Police Districts show a flattering decrease in the number of dram shops, &c., open on Sunday last.

Even in the Fourth Ward, where the Mayor is unable to revoke licenses, there is a diminution. No, a single case is reported in the Sixth Ward, a fact well worthy of notice; and too much praise cannot be awarded it, when we take into consideration that a portion of the Ward embraces the worst haunts of vice, misery and degradation to be found in the whole City.

The following appears to be a correct statement of the number of dram selling liquor on Sunday, as reported in the Mayor's office: Second Ward, 2; Third, 3; Fourth, 15; Seventh, 1; Ninth, 3; Tenth, 1; Eleventh, 5; Seventeenth, 1; Eighteenth, 3; Nineteenth, 1.

Gen. Houston and Slavery.

From the reports in the Boston papers Gen. Sam Houston seems to have had a most cordial reception. His lecture, at Tremont Temple, on Slavery, was more largely attended than any lecture of the season, every seat being occupied. During the lecture the enthusiasm was frequent and at times enthusiastic. In treating the subject of Slavery he did not advocate Slavery in the abstract, nor could he discuss it on abstract principles. He dealt with it as an existing fact, which universally spread, and the cause of too much strife and discord. The people of the South did not create Slavery. The South did not love it, but it exists there, and as a politician in the present condition of the South it must be used but guarded from abuse. The South should not encroach upon the rights of the North, nor the North upon the rights and institutions of the South. Union is what is needed, and freedom for every man to hold and express his own opinion. The report in the Journal says: He congratulated the North upon the enlightened, refined and elevated state of society which he saw. But, he asked, do you believe that but for the influx of foreign labor, you would have these railroads? Would you alone have been able to build them? Would the people of New-England since the revolution have been able to do the digging in making these works? [Applause and laughter.] You never would have done it in the world. [Applause.] Well, it is done, and we are glad to see it done. But, let us assume a little further. Suppose this work had been laid out, and no foreigners had come to these shores. You would have had negroes working upon those railroads sure as the world. It is necessity, convenience, profit, that produces Slavery. This is the great recommendation of foreign labor, because it is cheaper to employ it than to employ slaves. When foreign labor shall in the same way reach the South, will she retain slaves? No, she will construct slaves—though they they are no hands at it—[laughter]—to transport the blacks to Africa, rather than have them among them. These are the things we have to look at. Let slave labor become unprofitable, and the South will throw it off.

The Blockade of the Black Sea.

Department of State,
(Official.) Washington, Friday, Feb. 23, 1855.

Information has been received at this Department from John Ralli, Esq., United States Consul at Odessa, of the blockade of the ports in the Black Sea and the Sea of Azoff. A copy of the notification is published for the information of all whom it may concern:

NOTICE.

In the name of the Governments of France and Great Britain, we, the undersigned, commanding the Allied naval forces in the Black Sea, in conformity with the instructions we have received from our respective Governments, hereby give notice that on and from the 1st day of February, 1855, the month of the river Dniester, the ports of Akerman, Ovidiopol, and Odessa, all the ports situated between Ochakov Point, and Kinburun Point, including the ports of Nicolaev and Kherson, the rivers Bug and Dnieper; also, the ports between Kinburun Point and Cape Tarkan, including the ports in the Gulf of Perekop, the coast of Sebastopol, the ports comprised between Cape Ak and the Straits of Kertch, including those of Yalta, Alustcha, Koutaf, Kaffa, Theodosia; the port of Kertch, the Straits of Kertch, the entrance to and all the ports in the Sea of Azoff, including especially the ports of Berdiansk, Taganrog and Arabat; the River Don and the ports of Azoff and Soudjak, are strictly blockaded by a competent force of the Allied fleets of France and England. The ports of Eupatoria, Stroitzka, Kamish, Kamish and Sakiskaya are and will remain open and free from all blockade until further notice. And it is hereby further notified that all measures authorized by the law of nations and the respective treaties between Her Majesty the Queen of Great Britain and Ireland and His Imperial Majesty the Emperor of the French and the different neutral Powers will be adopted and executed with respect to all vessels which may attempt to violate the said blockade.

Fort of Kamesh, the 15th of January, 1855.

EDMUND LYONS,
Rear-Admiral Commanding-in-Chief Her Britannic Majesty's Naval Forces in the Black Sea.

BRUAT,
Vice-Admiral Commanding-in-Chief the French Squadron in the Black Sea.

Know-Nothing Withdrawals—Fifteen Hundred in the State.

From the Albany Atlas, Feb. 23.

We ask particular attention to the following statement by the Committee of the withdrawn K. N.'s in this city, as to the number who have left the Order in Concord, and in the State. Many who have withdrawn here would doubtless have signed this statement if the opportunity had been presented. These statements are made in consequence of the denials which have been so boldly and constantly put forth by the K. N. organs and leaders, that any considerable number have withdrawn from the Order in this city or elsewhere. The Committee of withdrawn K. N.'s have had extensive correspondence with withdrawn members in all sections of the State, and their information is as reliable as it is possible to obtain:

To the Public:—Where some newspapers have asserted that the reports in relation to the withdrawals of members from the Know-Nothing Council, in this city are false, the undersigned, being members, without fee of contribution from any party, state to the contrary, serve, that there have been about one hundred withdrawals from the Council concern in this city alone, and we have such information from different sections of the State, as leaves no doubt in our mind that there have been, within one month past, at least fifteen hundred withdrawals in the State. We state this from information which we now possess.

HARRY HOUSTON,
R. A. WALKER,
WM. P. FOSTER,
Committee of those who have withdrawn.

BUSINESS NOTICES.

STATE AND NATIONAL LAW SCHOOL, POUGHKEEPSIE, N. Y.—Diplomas given, admitting to practice. A circular sent by request, directed to

J. W. FOWLER, President.

"FEVER AND AGUE IN THE OFFICE!!"—Read the testimony of Hon. E. B. Coleman, of the Astor House, in favor of DESHLER'S FEVER AND AGUE PILLS. Astor House, Dec. 18, 1854.

Chas. D. Deshler, Esq.—Dear Sir: I will say, that the pills you agreed to give me if your medicine did not cure me, being sufficiently convinced by a perfect recovery. I was troubled for several months with nausea, bilious fever and fever and ague. Your Pills performed a perfect cure by their wonderful effect. I cannot recommend your pills to me by a friend, to whom I feel greatly obliged. I shall recommend them with perfect confidence in all cases of a similar character. Truly yours, E. B. COLEMAN.

Dr. Charles Sheafer, of Williamsport, Penn., says, under date of Dec. 14, 1854: "The Pills I am pleased to say, have given general satisfaction."

Mr. J. N. Crawford, of Camptown, N. J., says: "The Pills have given good satisfaction, and cured a number of cases of fever and ague."

Rev. P. H. Jacob, of Cincinnati, Ohio, writes: "The last Pills you sent me came duly to hand, and have effected wonders; we can well consider affairs power over chills and fever. Again, Feb. 1, 1855, he writes: "Your pills have done wonders in this place."

Sold by BOYD & PAUL, No. 148 Chatham-st.; C. V. CLICKENER & CO., No. 81 Bowery-st.; C. H. KING, corner John-st. and Broadway; F. T. HOBBITON, corner of Canal and Centre-sts., Cincinnati, Ohio; F. C. WELLS & CO., No. 118 Franklin-st., New-York; by GILBERT, WENTZ & CO., and DYOTT & SONS, Philadelphia, Penn. Also, at the Wholesale and Retail Depot, by C. D. DESHLER, No. 281 Broadway, New-York.

PIANOS AT GREATLY REDUCED PRICES.—SUPERB rosewood 6½ octave Pianos for $175; good plain rosewood, or good one that which cost $300; Pianos of every variety of style, from $35 to $1,000. Pianos of every variety of style, from $35 to $1,000. Pianos to rent, $2 per month. Pianos tuned, $1. Also, the agency for Chickering's, Gilbert's, Gilbert & Co.'s premium Boston Pianos, and the Hallet, Davis & Co.'s celebrated Pianos, second-hand pianos of great bargains; price from $50 to $100. Pianos to rent. Melodeons of every variety, from $50 to $300. Melodeons to rent, $1 per month. Melodeons tuned, $1. Also, the agency for the sale of Mason's celebrated Melodeons, the best make in the United States, (much in the general demand,) all at extremely low prices. Music at the reduced rates. MORAES WATTS, 385 Broadway.

SINGER'S SEWING MACHINES.—GREAT IMPROVEMENTS have just been completed in these celebrated machines, by which the speed of the machine can be run with one half the power hitherto required. The finest cotton or silk thread can be sewed without ever breaking the great tension of the thread maintained under all circumstances, and the same machine is adapted to every kind of work, from Calf, exclusive, and be satisfied.

I. M. SINGER & CO., No. 323 Broadway.

HERRING'S PATENT CHAMPION FIRE-PROOF SAFES, with HERRING'S PATENT POWDER-PROOF LOCKS, the same which received the Prize Medal at the Great Exhibition, Crystal Palace, London, 1851, and World's Fair, New-York, 1853, and '54, and this is the last, and the only powder-proof lock that received a medal at the London World's Fair, though others were on exhibition and were advertised as "World's Fair Locks." The subscribers do not assume to be the only persons authorized to make and sell the genuine Herring's Patent Champion Fire-Proof Safes, but they do say, with the strictest truth, that they are the only persons authorized to make and sell the genuine Herring's Patent Champion Fire-Proof Safes, and that the Powder-Proof Locks, which are the best in use, are to be had only of them.

F. G. HERRING, Green Street, New-York, late of 189 Pearl-st.

A. L. HERRING, 189 Pearl-st., New-York.

A CARD.—THE UNDERSIGNED WOULD RESPectfully inform the public, that they have opened a number of stores for the sale of "JOHN DAVIS & SON" in the City of New-York, which have no connection with the firm of the undersigned, nor have we had for the last thirty years, and the person we pay in that branch of our business in New-York, since we have been in business.

JOHN M. DAVIES, JONES & CO., No. 21 Vesey-st.

THE FASHION OF THE SEASON IN GENTLEMEN'S HATS will be introduced by GENIN, on Saturday next, the 24th inst. New-York and Philadelphia have for years looked to the quarterly issues of GENIN, as the standard in styles of the day, and his Spring hat for this year will be found to possess the highest claims to the approbation of men of taste and judgment. GENIN, No. 214 Broadway,
Opposite the Prince Street.

LINENS, LINENS—WE HAVE NOW IN STORE A large stock of French Cambrics, Irish Linens, the best ever brought to this market. Also, Linen Sheetings, Table Damasks, Napkins, Doylies, Towels and Small Diapers. All of which we offer at very low prices.

E. E. HADDEN & CO.,
No. 347 Broadway, corner Leonard-st.

SILKS, SILKS—WE ARE NOW OFFERING NEW and rich Plaid Silks, Plaid Silks, in all colors, Plaid and Small Plaid do., Small Striped do., do., Black Silks from Brussels do., real white, from 75c. to $2. Black Silks from do. up. The above prices are fully 25 per cent below real value.

E. E. HADDEN & CO.,
No. 347 Broadway, corner Leonard-st.

LIKE PRICES WILL SPRING SILKS, ONLY 4c., in and on, we have a very large stock of Spring Silks, in fine variety. The balance of the Spring goods will be in full and a great variety.

E. E. HADDEN, No. 347 Broadway.

CLOTHING.—ALFRED BUNNER & CO., No. 64 Bowery, have in readiness a magnificent assortment of Spring and Summer Clothing, Cloths, Cassimeres and Vestings, and are determined to give them a call.

Bishop McIlvaine's Church of the Ascension on the Ohio River.—Extraordinary Passage.

[Louisville Courier-Journal.]

On Thursday morning, Jan. 30, Bishop McIlvaine started for Cincinnati, on his return from a visit to Louisville. He took the steam ferry-boat at Louisville for the purpose of crossing the river, and taking his seat in the Jeffersonville train. The day was bitter cold, and the Ohio was full of running ice, being down in large fields to the falls, which lie just below Louisville. The boat became fixed in the centre of the river, in a large mass of solid ice, and could neither advance nor recede. Instantly she was in the mercy of the current, and began to move towards the falls. The imminence of the danger became at once apparent. There were about two hundred passengers on board—men, women and children—besides omnibuses, wagons, horses, and other merchandise. It now seemed almost certain that all must be lost.

Under Bishop McILVAINE's care was a daughter of Bishop SMITH. Rev. Mr. SEMON, a Methodist minister of Louisville, and his wife, were also on board. It seemed impossible that a soul could survive if the boat should be wrecked on the Falls. The current, the cold, the breakers, the eddies, the roar breaking over the Falls, would have subdued strongest men even in the strongest and hardiest swimmers, impossible. Help from either shore could not be extended so long as the drifting continued. Nothing could reach the boat in time to rescue a single person. Inevitable death was all that the most resolute and confident would see before them. The boat and passengers were given up on the shore. Where was help to come from? Some these were on board who did know where to look; and did look there, where all true help is found in time of need.

The Bishop then said to Mr. SEMON that he would go into the cabin where the women were, and draw their minds to prayer. They went together; but though the utmost caution was used to prevent alarm, the word prayer was no sooner uttered, than the lamentations and cries made it impossible for prayer to be heard. After endeavoring in vain to calm these poor people, some of the calm ones, with Mr. and Mrs. SEMON, and Miss SMITH, gathered close around the Bishop, as he offered a brief and appropriate prayer. After this there was more composure. And, now the hand of the Lord appeared. Man could do nothing. The boat was drifting on to its apparent inevitable wreck. But—was it not God's guiding in answer to prayer?—she struck the hidden reef at the commencement of the rapids. That was the salvation, though it was not then known or recognized as such.

How long the boat could hold that place against the pressure of the current, and the prodigious momentum of the acres of ice which constantly struck and ground against it; how soon she would be pressed over, or lifted up and turned over, or crushed under the accumulating mass of ice, where no help could reach her, no one could say. Each new wave of ice was watched with intense anxiety. But that which was terror to those on board, proved to be one of God's instruments for their safety. As the ice struck against the boat, it formed such a mass that it rested on the rock beneath and formed a breakwater; and the more violent was the onset of the ice, the more strong and massive did it become. The boat lay, as it were, under the lee of this hill of ice, though some of her length was still unprotected.

In this passive resistance to the assaults of the current and ice, the boat lay about two hours, before help came. Meanwhile the passengers could not see that any movements for rescue were being made on shore. They were too far off to see what was doing.

From the Louisville shore they were distant half a mile, and on the Indiana shore there were no inhabitants. During this time high rewards were offered on the Louisville side, to any one who would attempt a rescue. The clerk of the *Jacob Strader* had a son in the stranded boat, and offered a large price for his deliverance. The life-boat of the *Strader* was launched, and three men come out in her, and took out the youth and two young women connected with the officers of the *Strader*. It took the boat an hour to get back.

In the course of another hour, some four or five boats, capable of containing each from four to five persons, came out from either shore. Meanwhile the women had become quite composed. Many of them behaved in a very exemplary way throughout the whole period. As soon as these skiffs came near to the boat, the determination seemed unanimous that the women should all go first, and this determination was carried out. The colored women were as kindly cared for as the white. Whoever came first entered the boats first. The last woman that came was a white woman. Such as had husbands were allowed to have them with them. Rev. Mr. SEMON went, as was proper, with his wife, in the second boat, and Bishop McILVAINE consigned to him the care of Miss SMITH, and bade them farewell.

Our good Bishop was strongly urged, by those in the skiff and on the boat, to go with the lady in his charge; but he resolutely refused to avail himself of the privilege which all seemed anxious to accord to his age and character. One or two colored men were allowed to go in the skiffs with their wives. Not a word of interference or remonstrance by reference to this arrangement was uttered. "*Remember the Arctic*" was heard, as the women were put in. All the while the ice was crushing against the boat, and none knew how soon she would be driven where no boats could reach her. At length the last woman, as it was supposed, had been put on, and the boat was not full. At the urgency of those who were most active, Bishop McILVAINE consented to get into the skiff. But before it had pushed off, another women was found, and he at once called to her to come and take his place.

The next relief was a flatboat, given by Messrs. GILL, SMITH & Co., of Louisville, to whoever would take it. It was manned by a gallant crew, who knew that such a craft must take the Falls. Two Falls pilots came in her. One steered and the other commanded. Captain HAMILTON, a cool and intrepid man, took the command. On her flush-deck, which was even with her sides, and covered with straw, about fifty men, of whom Bishop McILVAINE was one, were placed. As there was not room to stand, because of the oars, we room to sit, they were compelled to kneel. By this time the boats which had put off had been carried down, and were just able to reach the island at the head of the Falls, where there was much suffering from cold, and whence the women with difficulty got to the Kentucky shore.

As the crew of the flatboat started for their fearful trial of the Falls, Captain HAMILTON ordered silence. "Let no man speak but me," said he. He ordered the draught of the boat to be measured. The answer was: "It is fifteen inches." He answered: "It is a poor chance;" and evidently thought the case very desperate. He had not expected that the boat would be loaded so heavily. His effort was to reach a particular *chute* of the Falls, as that which alone afforded any hope of a passage. All this had occupied but a minute or two. The powerful current had brought the flat almost to the spot where, in another instant, she was to be wrecked, and all lost in the breakers and ice, or they were to be safe. There was a perfect silence. What a solemn moment! How appropriate was the kneeling position which was maintained! The Lord saw those hearts that were before him in a corresponding attitude of prayer and faith.

Our beloved Bishop sheltered a poor shivering colored boy under his cloak, and commended himself and his fellow-voyagers with composure and confidence to his covenant Lord and Saviour. In the crisis of passing down the *chute* the boat struck. It seemed then that all was lost! The silence was unbroken. Grating over the rock, she was a moment free, and then struck again. Again she was free, and again struck. Her bottom grated on the rock, not a word was spoken, the boat floated on, the captain cried out, "Try the pump!" "No water," was the answer. God had delivered them! The gentleman who kneeled next to the Bishop heard him solemnly murmur, "The Lord be praised for his service!"

Never the fearful edifice and breakers were a danger not to be thought of after what had been passed. These cabins below Louisville, at Portland, the passengers were landed safely, with a great sense of gratitude to the intrepid pilots and their brave crew; and most deeply indebted to the mercy of God. They had been about four hours on the water. After this successful passage, a larger boat, capable of holding more freight, and without too much danger, took off the remaining passengers, and passed the Falls safely. The ferry-boat, with the omnibuses, wagons and horses, remains on the rock; and the last news speak of her as being, at present at least, in a position of safety.

Horrible Story—One Boy Murdered by Another!—A gentleman living in Russia, Herkimer County, who was in this city yesterday, informed us that a horrible tragedy was reported to have occurred in that vicinity a few days since. As the story was told us, two boys, aged 13 and 14, respectively, engaged in a quarrel which terminated in a threat on the part of the youngest lad that he would shoot his antagonist. He went to the house, pulled his mother's hand down from a shelf a pistol which lay there, and told her he was going to shoot a boy with it. She, suspecting that he was only joking, gave him the pistol. He took it, walked out toward where the other boy stood, and deliberately shot him through the head, killing him instantly. The boys were said to be both Irish. Our informant did not learn the names.—*Albany Argus, Feb. 25.*

A curious breaking out of music is announced in the kingdom of Naples and the Sicilies. The army in Sicily, they say, is to be taught part-singing with a view of enabling the soldiers to be heard as well as seen in processions, on saints' days and holidays.

SPECIAL NOTICES.

☞ The Russian Salve—25 Cents a Box.—A Russian remedy of 20 years's standing—a sure and speedy cure for Burns, Scalds, Boils, and all external injuries; recommended by physicians. Sold by all druggists in the United States. A. B. & D. SANDS, C. V. CLICKENER & CO., C. H. RING, New-York; WM. R. REIBER, Philadelphia, and REDDING & CO., Boston.

☞ Fruit and Ornamental Trees and Plants.—Including everything necessary to the Garden, Greenhouse, Nursery, and Orchard, with all the recent introductions, at very low rates. Descriptive price Catalogues gratis. Carriage paid to New-York. Ornamental and other planting done in any part of the country. Address B. M. WATSON, Old Colony Nurseries, Plymouth, Mass.

☞ Only $3,75 a pair for fine French Calf Boots, made to order, with steel shanks, by A. BAKER, No. 10 Ann-st. Double soled boots, $4; water-proof, $4,50; best French patent leather boots, from $5 to $7. Give them a trial.

☞ Balm of Thousand Flowers—For beautifying the Complexion and eradicating all TAN, PIMPLES, and FRECKLES from the face. PETRIDGE & CO., Boston. C. H. RING, Broadway, Agents.

Bread for All!
LARGEST AND BEST IN THE CITY.
Compare it with others in weight, color, sweetness, and nutritious qualities. TREADWELL'S BAKERY, No. 39 Carmine-st., between Bedford and Bleecker-sts.

☞ The Only Medal Awarded by the Jury of "THE NEW-YORK EXHIBITION," for English or Foreign Sauce Manufacturers, has been obtained, amongst numerous competitors, by "LEA & PERRINS," for their "WORCESTERSHIRE SAUCE," whereby further testimony is afforded of the high estimation in which it is held on the Continent of Europe these qualities have been testified to by a gentleman who writes to LEA & PERRINS, thus: "I have carried a bottle of your Worcestershire Sauce on a tour; I have just completed through Spain and Portugal, and always my greatest relish of food with me to its use; your Sauce is stomachic and I think medicinal. I can with truth say there is nothing in a traveler's baggage so essential to his comfort, at least in these countries, as your Sauce." Sole Agents for the United States,
JOHN DUNCAN & SONS, No. 106 Broadway.

☞ Mercantile Library Association.—General SAM HOUSTON will lecture on Texas at the Academy of Music, 14th-st., on TUESDAY EVENING, Feb. 27, at 8 o'clock. Doors open at 7 o'clock. Tickets 50 cents, to be procured at the Library, Astor-place; No. 2 Nassau-st.; Messrs. WM. HALL & SON'S; D. APPLETON & CO.; EVANS & DICKERSON, No. 697 Broadway; and C. F. MERRITT & CO., corner of Wall and Water-sts. Members and others are earnestly requested to procure their tickets early, to avoid confusion at the door, on the evening of the lecture.
JOS. C. MORTON,
H. THOMPSON,
JOHN CRERAR, } Lecture Com.

☞ The Baptist Historical Society.—The first Lecture before this Society, for the benefit of its Library, will be given by Gen. SAM HOUSTON, United States Senator from Texas, of the Democratic Tabernacle, on WEDNESDAY EVENING next, the 28th inst. Tickets 25 cents each; may be had at the door, from any of the Officers of the Society, and at the offices of the Recorder on Astor-place, the Chronicle and Christian Chronicle, and of WM. HALL & SON, No. 239 Broadway.
D. J. VALENTINE, No. 8 City Hall,
I. T. SMITH, No. 160 Wall-st.,
HENRY B. DAWSON, No. 397 4th-st.,
Committee.

☞ Brooklyn Athenæum.—GRAND MUSICAL AND LITERARY ENTERTAINMENT.—On TUESDAY EVENING, Feb. 27, Third Anniversary of the Franklyn Institute. Music by Dewarth's Band, under the direction of H. B. Dodworth, Esq., and the Mozart Glee Club. Exercises will consist of Oration, Original Poem, Addresses, &c. Tickets, 25 cents, to be had at the Library of the Athenæum and at the door. Exercises to commence at ½ o'clock.

☞ Rich & Co.'s Salamander Safes.—WILDER'S PATENT with Powder Proof Locks that never have been robbed. Twelve years in use and not a dollar's worth of books or papers lost in them when consumed in them. They have been tested in accidental fires one hundred and eighty-two times. For sale by STEARNS & MARVIN, Nos. 144 and 146 Water-st.; the only makers of Safes combining Wilder's and Rich & Co.'s Patents.

☞ Western Farm League.—The members of this organization are notified to attend the meeting THIS (Tuesday) EVENING, Feb. 27, at No. 169 Bowery. Members are also informed that twenty-five per cent on the price of the land subscribed for must be paid at this meeting.
CHAS. YOUNG, Secretary.

☞ Anti-Slavery Lecture.—The concluding Lecture of the New-York Anti-Slavery Society's Course will be delivered at the Tabernacle, on TUESDAY EVENING, Feb. 27, by Wm. LLOYD GARRISON, the Pioneer of the Modern Anti-Slavery movement, and President of the American Anti-Slavery Society. Admittance 25 cents.

☞ Concert in Aid of the Funds of the Hebrew Benevolent Societies.—NOTICE.—The public are respectfully informed, that in consequence of the demand for tickets, the Concert in Aid of Funds of the Hebrew Benevolent Societies will take place at Niblo's Saloon, on TUESDAY, the 27th inst., instead of at Dodworth's Rooms.

☞ I. O. of O. F.—LODGE ROOMS TO LET.—In Union Buildings, No. 163 Bowery, about four doors above the Bowery Bank. Also, other rooms to let for societies, &c. Inquire in third story, front room, from 11 to 1 o'clock.
THOS. D. SMITH, Proprietor.

☞ The Anniversary of the Sigma Phi Fraternity.—Will be celebrated in the Hall of the Alpha of New-York, on FRIDAY EVENING, March 2.
UNION COLLEGE, Feb. 12, 1855.

☞ New-England Society.—The festival in aid of the charity fund, announced to take place on the 22d inst. at the Astor House, is unavoidably postponed to THURSDAY EVENING, March 8.

LOST AND FOUND.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN of the loss of the following described certificates of five per cent stock of the State of New-York, viz:

Nos. 320 and 327, 1 certificates of $5,000 each,	$10,000
321, 1 certificate of,	5,000
322 and 326, 2 certificates of $4,000 each,	8,000
324 and 325, 2 certificates of $2,000 each,	4,000
	$27,000

Loan for the Genesee Valley Canal redeemable after the year 1860 to the order of Philip John Miles, of Bristol, in England, Esq., and dated June 1, 1838. Also,

Nos. 31 and 32, 2 certificates of $10,000 each,	$20,000
34, 1 certificate of,	5,000
	$25,000

Loan for paying the debt and preserving the credit of the State, redeemable 1st June, 1858, in the name of John Mostain, of Woodland, Blackheath, Kent, and Westing Hall, Norfolk, in England, Esquire, and dated August 22, 1844.

Accompanied by powers of Attorney to Messrs. Duncan, Sherman & Co. for the sale and transfer thereof.

The public are cautioned against the negotiation of the foregoing certificates, as application has been made for their renewal.
DUNCAN, SHERMAN & CO.

LOST—Eighteen thousand five hundred dollars in specie certificates issued by the Bank of America to the Associated Banks of this City (three of $5,000 each, three of $1,000 each and one of $500) were lost yesterday, by a clerk of the Bank of the Commonwealth on his way from the Clearing-House to the Bank.

As these certificates are payable only to the Associated Banks, they can be of no value in the hands of any private individual or other corporation. All persons are requested to stop any one who may attempt to pass off either of these certificates.

A suitable reward will be paid for their return to the Bank of the Commonwealth.
GEO. ELLIS, Cashier.

OWNER WANTED.—For one case of Merchandise marked (G.) No. 1, C. O. D., left some time ago in front of the store of Mr. SALOMON KONSTAMM, No. 61 Broadway and taken care of by his porter. As no inquiry as yet has been made, the attention of the proper owner is called to this advertisement.

LOST—On Thursday evening, 22d inst., on 6th-av., between Abington-square and 20th-st., a SCOTCH PEBBLE BRACELET. The finder will be rewarded by leaving same at No. 113 West 20th-st.

LOST—A gold pen and pencil case, Feb. 24. The finder will be suitably rewarded by leaving it with H. CHAPIN, No. 1 Hague-st., New-York, or No. 17 Prospect place, Jersey City.

MATRIMONIAL.

MATRIMONIAL.—The undersigned, a young man of genteel and prepossessing appearance, having become tired of a bachelor's life, is desirous of uniting himself with a young and accomplished lady. She must be of good family, and not over 20 years of age. One from the South preferred. Address G. W. R., Box No. 3,500 Post-office, N. Y.

MAYOR'S OFFICE, NEW-YORK, Feb. 19, 1855.

PROCLAMATION.—$500 REWARD.—Whereas, JOHN BETTS, a lad aged 13 years, was run over by a horse and sleigh in Broadway, near 71st-st., on Sunday, the 11th inst.; and

Whereas, The said John Betts has been since died in consequence of the injuries then received; and

Whereas, The person who drove said sleigh is unknown to the subscriber; I do hereby offer the reward in the caption of five hundred dollars for the apprehension and conviction of the person who committed said violence, to be paid on conviction of the offender, on the certificate of the Recorder or District Attorney that such conviction was had upon the testimony of the person or persons claiming the reward; but all claims not presented to the Mayor within twenty days after such conviction, will be disregarded.
FERNANDO WOOD,
[L. S.] Mayor.

All papers published in this City will insert the above until March 1, and send their bills to this Office for payment.

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H. MEIGS, Secretary.

WANTED.

SITUATION WANTED.—By a good young girl of American or English parentage, who is a good plain cook, a good washer and ironer, and understands her business in the work of four or five persons; will take place at a moderate City reference. Also, a good girl of 20 years of age, who can wash and iron; will take $2 a month; has excellent City references. Call at No. 103 Lexington-av., bet. 35th and 36th-sts.

SITUATIONS WANTED.—By the City or country, one or two very competent girls, with good City references, one as cook and to wash and iron, or to do chamber work in a private family, the other as nurse and sewing-woman, or as chambermaid and seamstress. Call at No. 76 6th-av., in the bookstore.

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SITUATION WANTED.—By a respectable young woman, as chambermaid and waiter, or seamstress and nurse. She has three years and six months' references from her last place. Please apply at No. 129 8th-st., between 2d and 3d-avs.

SITUATION WANTED.—By a respectable young Irish woman as waiter or chambermaid, and take care of children, washing and ironing. Best City references from her last place. Call at No. 128 East 18th-st., between 2d and 3d-avs.

TO TEACHERS.—Two Teachers are wanted for the Hartford Public High School; one immediately, and the other by the first of May next. It is requisite that each should be well qualified by mental endowments and attainments to give thorough instruction in the usual English branches, and in the Latin language. It is also indispensable that applicants should have had some measure of successful experience, and present satisfactory testimonials. Salary, $400. Communications may be addressed to PUBLIC HIGH SCHOOL, Hartford, Conn.

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MECHANICS, FARM HANDS, LABORERS AND FEMALE SERVANTS.—May be supplied at the office of the American and Foreign Emigrant Protective and Employment Society, No. 21 Greenwich-st., New-York. A subscription of $2 per annum will entitle to ten persons during the year, if required. Prospectuses sent on application, or to the Committee, also, at the upper office, Nos. 13 and 14 Astor-place.

AMERICAN, ENGLISH, SCOTCH, IRISH AND GERMAN.—Cooks, chambermaids, nurses, housework girls, &c. Also, gardeners, coachmen, farmers, grooms, &c., may be supplied at the office, No. 4 East Broadway, adjoining Chatham Post-Office.
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FARM WANTED.—A small farm, 25 to 30 acres of good land with good buildings and stocked with fruit, and at a distance of not more than one or one and half hours' ride by rail or boat from New-York. Not to cost over $4,000. Address until 1st April, W. H. B., Office of *Daily Times*.

WANTED TO RENT.—From the 1st of May next, by a small family, a small house, with a few acres of adjacent, part of a house in a good neighborhood, at a moderate rent. Address J. BARKER, Box No. 1,351 Lower P. O., stating locality and rent expected.

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MARKET REPORTS.

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ASHES—There were [illegible] at $6 25.

COTTON—The demand for the day is fair, the sales footing up [illegible] bales, including about [illegible] to arrive, [illegible] at prices [illegible]

NEW-YORK CLASSIFICATION.

	Fair	Middling	Middling Fair	New-Orleans
Saturday	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Monday	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Tuesday	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]

FLOUR AND MEAL—State and Western brands are quite firmly offered and are in good request at improved prices. The day's business includes 6,000 bbls. We [illegible]

Ordinary State	$ 25 @	$ 27½
Ordinary Ohio	[illegible]	[illegible]
Fancy State	$ 27½@	$ 30
Fancy Western Canal Indiana and Michigan	[illegible]	[illegible]
Fancy Michigan	[illegible]	[illegible]
Fancy Ohio	[illegible]	[illegible]
Fancy Ohio	[illegible]	[illegible]
Fancy Indiana and Michigan	[illegible]	[illegible]
Fancy Genesee	[illegible]	[illegible]
Fancy Genesee	[illegible]	[illegible]

Canadian was purchased to the extent of 2,000 bbls. Rye is [illegible] $4 37½ ⅌ bbl., showing a trifling and [illegible] market. Southern is quite dull and advancing; the day's transactions embrace 2,000 bbls. at $4 75@4 87 for mixed to fancy, and $4 50@$4 62½ for fancy and extra ⅌ bbl. Corn Meal is [illegible] with sales of 150 bbls. Rye Flour at $4 25@$4 37½ ⅌ bbl.

GRAIN—Wheat being still scarce and held above the limits of buyers, is nominal at [illegible] bushels Indiana New Ohio is quoted nominally [illegible] Rye is quiet and [illegible] Barley is [illegible] Barley Malt [illegible] at $1 45 ⅌ bushel. Oats in improved request and worth 45c.@46c. for State and Western ⅌ bushel. Corn is essentially unchanged—the supply and demand being equally moderate; and the sales reaching 26,000 bushels at 87c.@90c. for Southern White and Yellow, and 86c. for do. mixed, ⅌ bushel.

HAY—Some 500 bales River found buyers at Saturday's prices.

HOPS—Are selling very slowly at 20c. @ 24c. for last year's crop, ⅌ lb. The stock is fair, but the demand is light.

IRON—The market is inactive at nominally the same quotations.

LEAD—We have only to report a sale of Spanish, in bond for export, at $5 ⅌ 100 lb.

LIME—Holland is in moderate request at previous figures.

MOLASSES—New-Orleans is heavy and heavy, with sales of 200 bbls. at 34c.@35c. ⅌ gallon. Other kinds are [illegible]

NAVAL STORES—Crude Turpentine still tends downward. 400 bbls. were sold to-day at 62 @ 67½ ⅌ 280 pounds. Spirits Turpentine is unchanged. 200 bbls. brought 40c.@41c. cash ⅌ gallon. The remains about the same. The sales of common Rosin reach 2,000 bbls. at $1 60@$1 62½ ⅌ bbl., delivered.

OILS—White and Sperm are nominally held, but are very quiet. Olive has not varied. Linseed is sparingly dealt in at 47c.@70c., cash, ⅌ gallon. Lard Oil is in short demand at 60c.@65c. ⅌ gallon.

PROVISIONS—Pork is not very active, but is very firm, with sales of 300 bbls. at $15 37½@$15 50 for old Prime and Prime Mess; $15 75 for new Mess; $15 50@$15 75 for Western; $16 25@$16 37½ for City do., ⅌ bbl. Dressed Hogs are in poor supply, and are outside at 7c.@7½c. ⅌ lb. Cut Meats are in fair request at 6½c.@7c. for Hams, and 5½c.@6½c. for Shoulders, ⅌ lb. Bacon is salable and steady, at (according to quality) from 5½c.@6½c. ⅌ lb. Lard is doing better, and that, for strictly prime tierces to-day at 8½c.@8½c. ⅌ lb. Beef is quiet at former prices with sales of 200 bbls. at $8 50@$9 for Country Prime, $9 50@$10 for do. Mess, $15 50 for Vermont do., $14 50@$15 for repacked Chicago do., and $17@$19 50 for Extra do., ⅌ bbl. Prime Mess Beef [illegible] Butter is [illegible] at 11c.@20c. for Ohio, 22c.@27c. for State Dairy, and 23c.@31c. for Orange County, ⅌ lb. Cheese is not active, at 9½c.@12½c. ⅌ lb.

RICE—Is in moderate request, and firm at $4@$4 75 for good to choice, ⅌ 100 lbs.

SOAP—There were 220 boxes Castile disposed of on private terms.

SUGARS—The market is pretty active and steady, the day's sales consisting of about 1,500 hhds. mostly New-Orleans at 4½c.@6½c.; with Cuba at 4c.@6½c. ⅌ lb.

TALLOW—Prime is salable and steady at 11c. ⅌ lb.

WHISKY—There have been 400 bbls. Ohio and Trimble sold at 28c.@29c., cash, ⅌ gallon, closing at the inside rate—showing a further reduction.

FREIGHTS—For Liverpool, the engagements embraced 300 boxes Bacon at 17s. 6d. ⅌ 100; 200 tierces Beef, at 2s. 6d.; 500 bales of Cotton, at 3-16d. ⅌ lb., and small lots of other articles at lower figures. For London, the shipments included 60 bales Deer Skin, at 25c.; and 200 bales Bacon at 22c. 6d. ⅌ ton. For a French port, there were taken 7,000 bushels Corn in ship's bags, at 9c. ⅌ bushel. For other ports, nothing new transpired, and rates were unchanged.

INSTRUCTION.

PUBLIC NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN—That the new School House in 17th-st. is now completed and [illegible]

Parents and guardians are invited to send their children for the Spring Term, which commences on Monday, [illegible]

The Principals of the various departments will be in attendance, for that purpose, from 9 to 3 o'clock.

The public ceremonies of the opening of the school will take place at the school house on the 15th day of March, at 10 o'clock, at which time several addresses will be delivered, and appropriate music rendered. The exercises will take place.

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A. POD'WORTHE'S DANCING ACADEMY, No. 506 Broadway, opposite Hitchcock's, is open for the reception of pupils, with or without a partner, at any time. Ladies and children on WEDNESDAYS and SATURDAYS, at 3 and 4 P. M.; gents, on WEDNESDAYS, FRIDAYS, and every other EVENING, at 7 o'clock. Private lessons, and private parties on SATURDAY EVENINGS by ladies and gentlemen. Monthly tickets as usual. Orchestra (including fiddle), horns and terms of admission, can be had at the Academy at any time, or will be sent by post.

FINANCIAL.

SARATOGA AND WASHINGTON RAILROAD COMPANY.—Holders of the Second Mortgage Bonds of this Company, (issued on 1st January, 1853) are hereby notified that to meet the payment of the bonds of the year, they must deposit the coupons of said Mortgage, on or before the 1st day of March next, with Messrs. PHILLIPS PHENIX & CO., of New-York, and the principal of said Mortgage, on or before the 1st day of May next, with the undersigned, or JAMES FORSYTH, of Troy, on or before the 1st day of March next.

Dated Feb. 7, 1855.

COMPTROLLER'S OFFICE, CITY HALL, BROOKLYN, Jan. 22, 1855.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN to all persons having claims against the office of Brooklyn Williamsburgh and Jamaica Railroad, prior to 1852, that they are requested to present the same, with the vouchers thereof, at the office of the subscriber, on or before [illegible]

WM. E. ADAMS, Comptroller.

THE LOAN OF THE CITY OF WHEELING for $100,000, originally negotiated with the Mechanics' Institution, falling due on the 1st of March next, will be paid, principal and interest, at the office of the Institution, in the city of New-York, on presentation of the bonds at the office of the Institution or Trust Company in the City of New-York.

JAMES PAUL, Mayor of Wheeling.

CITY OF ST. LOUIS MUNICIPAL SIX PER CENT. BONDS, [illegible] at 6 per cent. Bonds of the City of St. Louis, issued for the extension of the Water Works. Interest and principal payable in this City. Bonds maturing in 1866. For sale by

W. E. CURTIS, DODGE & CO., No. 51 Wall-st.

NEW-YORK AND LIVERPOOL U. S. M. S. S. NORTH STAR—Notice is hereby given that a meeting of the Stockholders of this Company will be held at their office on THURSDAY, 1st March next, between the hours of 12 M. and 2 P. M.

WM. L. SOUDER, Secretary.

PARTIES HOLDING BILLS OR DRAFTS on Boston, Salem, Gloucester, Chicago, or San Francisco, payable at the Bank from Bank of this City, are requested to present the same from Bank of this City, are requested to present the same.

J. D. VAN VLECK & READ, No. 37 Wall-st.

BROKEN BANKS—PRESENT VALUE—All City Bank notes at par; Wheeling Bank, 40; Bridgeport Bank, 50; Lake County, 50; Wayne County, 50; Evansville Bank, 50; and 50 Fulton-st.

ADVANCES ARE MADE—On shipments of merchandise to Gunter Bullard & Co., in the Commission Warehouse, 40 Gansevoort-st., or to the undersigned, and forward to Boston, Providence, &c.

THEODORE DEHON, No. 40 Wall-st., near Broadway.

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CITY BANK STATEMENTS.

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STATEMENT OF THE AMERICAN EXCHANGE BANK, OF THE CITY OF NEW-YORK.—As required by Chapter 324, Laws of 1853, for the week ending Saturday, the 24th day of February, 1855.
Average amount of Loans and Discounts ..... $[illegible]
Average amount of Specie ..... [illegible]
Average amount of Circulation ..... [illegible]
Average amount of Deposits ..... [illegible]
City and County of New-York, ss.:—I, GEORGE S. COE, Cashier of the AMERICAN EXCHANGE BANK, being duly sworn, do depose and say that the above statement is correct, to the best of my knowledge and belief.
GEO. S. COE, Cashier.
Sworn before me, this 26th day of February, 1855.
GILBERT S. NIXON, Commissioner of Deeds.

STATEMENT OF THE ATLANTIC BANK, OF THE CITY OF NEW-YORK.—As required by Chapter 324, Laws of 1853, for the week ending Saturday, the 24th day of February, 1855:
Average amount of Loans and Discounts $404,116 00
Average amount of Specie 14,241 00
Average amount of Circulation 26,262 00
Average amount of Deposits 346,656 00
City and County of New-York, ss.:—I, GEO. H. ARTHUR, Cashier of the ATLANTIC BANK, of the City of New-York, being duly sworn, do depose and say that the above statement is correct, to the best of my knowledge and belief.
GEORGE H. ARTHUR, Cashier.
Sworn before me, this 26th day of February, 1855.
GILBERT S. NIXON, Commissioner of Deeds.

STATEMENT OF THE BANK OF AMERICA.—As required by Chapter 324, Laws of 1853, for the week ending Saturday, the 24th day of February, 1855:
Average amount of Loans and Discounts $4,111,126 00
Average amount of Specie 1,287,625 00
Average amount of Circulation, notes of late 197,024 00
Average amount of Deposits 4,000,000 00
City and County of New-York, ss.:—I, GEORGE BLAIR, Cashier of the BANK OF AMERICA, being duly sworn, do depose and say that the above statement is correct, to the best of my knowledge and belief.
J. FUNNETT, Cashier.
Sworn before me, this 26th day of February, 1855.
GILBERT S. NIXON, Commissioner of Deeds.

STATEMENT OF THE BANK OF THE COMMONWEALTH, NEW-YORK.—As required by Chapter 324, Laws of 1853, for the week ending Saturday, the 24th day of February, 1855:
Average amount of Loans and Discounts $1,173,713 00
Average amount of Specie 115,000 00
Average amount of Circulation 28,202 00
Average amount of Deposits 911,191 00
City and County of New-York, ss.:—I, GEORGE ELLIS, Cashier of the BANK OF THE COMMONWEALTH, being duly sworn, do depose and say that the foregoing statement is true, to the best of my knowledge and belief.
GEORGE ELLIS, Cashier.
Sworn before me, this 26th day of February, 1855.
GILBERT S. NIXON, Commissioner of Deeds.

STATEMENT OF THE BANK OF NEW-YORK.—As required by Chapter 324, Laws of 1853, for the week ending Saturday, the 24th day of February, 1855:
Average amount of Loans and Discounts $2,187,322 00
Average amount of Specie 100,223 00
Average amount of Circulation 43,000 00
Average amount of Deposits 2,045,792 00
City and County of New-York, ss.:—I, ANTHONY F. HALSEY, Cashier of the BANK OF NEW-YORK, being duly sworn, depose and say that the above statement is correct, to the best of my knowledge and belief.
ANTHONY F. HALSEY, Cashier.
Sworn before me, this 26th day of February, 1855.
THOMAS STEWART, Commissioner of Deeds.

STATEMENT OF THE BANK OF NORTH AMERICA.—As required by Chapter 324, Laws of 1853, for the week ending Saturday, the 24th day of February, 1855:
Average amount of Loans and Discounts $1,327,762 14
Average amount of Specie 100,000 00
Average amount of Circulation 27,000 00
Average amount of Deposits 1,207,000 00
City and County of New-York, ss.:—I, GURDON SEYMOUR, Cashier of the BANK OF NORTH AMERICA, being duly sworn, depose and say that the above statement is correct, to the best of my knowledge and belief.
G. SEYMOUR, Cashier.
Sworn before me, this 26th day of February, 1855.
GILBERT S. NIXON, Commissioner of Deeds.

STATEMENT OF THE BANK OF THE REPUBLIC OF THE CITY OF NEW-YORK.—As required by Chapter 324, Laws of 1853, for the week ending Saturday, the 24th day of February, 1855:
Average amount of Loans and Discounts $2,077,311 31
Average amount of Specie 135,496 00
Average amount of Circulation 42,000 00
Average amount of Deposits 2,191,000 00
City and County of New-York, ss.:—I, ROBERT H. LOWRY, Cashier of the BANK OF THE REPUBLIC, being duly sworn, depose and say that the above statement is correct, to the best of my knowledge and belief.
R. H. LOWRY, Cashier.
Sworn before me, this 26th day of February, 1855.
EDWIN F. CORBY, Commissioner of Deeds.

STATEMENT OF THE BANK OF THE STATE OF NEW-YORK.—As required by Chapter 324, Laws of 1853, for the week ending Saturday, the 24th day of February, 1855:
Average amount of Loans and Discounts $2,630,724 00
Average amount of Specie 293,207 00
Average amount of Circulation 218,241 00
Average amount of Deposits 2,191,174 00
City and County of New-York, ss.:—I, S. M. HYDE, Cashier of the BANK OF THE STATE OF NEW-YORK, being duly sworn, depose and say that the above statement is correct, to the best of my knowledge and belief.
S. M. HYDE, Cashier.
Sworn before me, this 26th day of February, 1855.
A. C. GUMBAR, Notary Public.

STATEMENT OF THE BOWERY BANK.—As required by Chapter 324, Laws of 1853, for the week ending Saturday, the 24th day of February, 1855:
Average amount of Loans and Discounts $670,422 00
Average amount of Specie 129,651 00
Average amount of Circulation 102,641 00
Average amount of Deposits 292,000 00
City and County of New-York, ss.:—I, NATHANIEL G. BRADFORD, Cashier of the BOWERY BANK, being duly sworn, depose and say that the above statement is correct, to the best of my knowledge and belief.
N. G. BRADFORD, Cashier.
Sworn before me, this 26th day of February, 1855.
BENJAMIN J. PERRY, Commissioner of Deeds.

STATEMENT OF THE BROADWAY BANK.—As required by Chapter 324, Laws of 1853, for the week ending Saturday, the 24th day of February, 1855:
Average amount of Loans and Discounts ..... $1,261,[illegible] 00
Average amount of Specie ..... 48,[illegible] 00
Average amount of Circulation ..... 38,[illegible] 00
Average amount of Deposits 1,070,216 00
City and County of New-York, ss.:—I, JOHN L. EVERITT, Cashier of the BROADWAY BANK, being duly sworn, depose and say that the above statement is correct, to the best of my knowledge and belief.
J. L. EVERITT, Cashier.
Sworn before me, this 26th day of February, 1855.
MATHEW MARVIN, Commissioner of Deeds.

STATEMENT OF THE BULL'S HEAD BANK.—As required by Chapter 324, Laws of 1853, for the week ending Saturday, the 24th day of February, 1855:
Average amount of Loans and Discounts $190,173 76
Average amount of Specie ..... 19,[illegible] 00
Average amount of Circulation ..... 19,[illegible] 00
Average amount of Deposits 97,870 57
City and County of New-York, ss.:—I, RICHARD WILLIAMSON, President of the BULL'S HEAD BANK, being duly sworn, depose and say that the above statement is correct, to the best of my knowledge and belief.
R. WILLIAMSON, President.
Sworn before me, this 26th day of February, 1855.
M. H. HAIN, Commissioner of Deeds.

STATEMENT OF THE BUTCHERS' AND DROVERS' BANK.—As required by Chapter 324, Laws of 1853, for the week ending Saturday, the 24th day of February, 1855:
Average amount of Loans and Discounts ..... $[illegible] 00
Average amount of Specie ..... 132,[illegible] 00
Average amount of Circulation ..... 24,[illegible] 00
Average amount of Deposits ..... 283,[illegible] 00
City and County of New-York, ss.:—I, ISAAC SUTTON, Cashier of the BANK OF NORTH AMERICA, being duly sworn, depose and say that the above statement is correct, to the best of my knowledge and belief.
I. SEYMOUR, Cashier.
Sworn before me, this 26th day of February, 1855.
GILBERT S. NIXON, Commissioner of Deeds.

STATEMENT OF THE CHATHAM BANK.—As required by Chapter 324, Laws of 1853, for the week ending Saturday, the 24th day of February, 1855:
Average amount of Loans and Discounts ..... $[illegible]
Average amount of Specie ..... 42,[illegible] 00
Average amount of Circulation ..... 27,[illegible] 00
Average amount of Deposits 261,112 00
City and County of New-York, ss.:—I, O. H. SCHEMERHORN, Cashier of the CHATHAM BANK, being duly affirmed, depose and say that the above statement is correct, to the best of my knowledge and belief.
O. H. SCHEMERHORN, Cashier.
Affirmed before me, this 26th day of February, 1855.
S. L. H. WARD, Commissioner of Deeds.

STATEMENT OF THE CHEMICAL BANK.—As required by Chapter 324, Laws of 1853, for the week ending Saturday, the 24th day of February, 1855:
Average amount of Loans and Discounts $1,207,207 00
Average amount of Specie 319,261 00
Average amount of Circulation 170,000 00
Average amount of Deposits 1,631,169 00
City and County of New-York, ss.:—I, J. G. JOHNS, President of the CHEMICAL BANK, being duly sworn, depose and say that the above statement is correct, to the best of my knowledge and belief.
J. G. JOHNS, President.
Sworn before me this 26th day of February, 1855.
M. C. BLAKE, Commissioner of Deeds.

STATEMENT OF THE CITIZENS' BANK.—As required by Chapter 324, Laws of 1853, for the week ending Saturday, the 24th day of February, 1855:
Average amount of Loans and Discounts $407,163 00
Average amount of Specie ..... 30,[illegible] 00
Average amount of Circulation ..... 28,[illegible] 00
Average amount of Deposits ..... 269,[illegible] 00
City and County of New-York, ss.:—I, CHARLES WILLIAMS, Cashier of the CITIZENS' BANK, being duly sworn, depose and say that the above statement is correct, to the best of my knowledge and belief.
C. WILLIAMS, Cashier.
Sworn before me, this 26th day of February, 1855.
GEO. L. OSBORN, Commissioner of Deeds.

STATEMENT OF THE CITY BANK.—As required by Chapter 324, Laws of 1853, for the week ending Saturday, the 24th day of February, 1855:
Average amount of Loans and Discounts ..... $1,[illegible] 00
Average amount of Specie ..... [illegible] 00
Average amount of Circulation ..... [illegible] 00
Average amount of Deposits ..... 2,[illegible] 00
City and County of New-York, ss.:—I, ANTHONY J. BLEECKER, President of the CITY BANK, being duly sworn, depose and say that the above statement is correct, to the best of my knowledge and belief.
A. J. BLEECKER, President.
Sworn before me, this 26th day of February, 1855.
GEO. G. TAYLOR, Commissioner of Deeds.

STATEMENT OF THE COMMERCE BANK.—As required by Chapter 324, Laws of 1853, for the week ending Saturday, the 24th day of February, 1855:
Average amount of Loans and Discounts ..... $[illegible] 00
Average amount of Specie ..... [illegible] 00
Average amount of Circulation ..... [illegible] 00
Average amount of Deposits ..... [illegible] 00
City and County of New-York, ss.:—I, WM. A. WHITNEY, Cashier of the COMMERCE BANK, being duly sworn, depose and say that the above statement is correct, to the best of my knowledge and belief.
WM. A. WHITNEY, Cashier.
Sworn before me, this 26th day of February, 1855.
GILBERT S. NIXON, Commissioner of Deeds.

STATEMENT OF THE CONTINENTAL BANK, OF THE CITY OF NEW-YORK.—As required by Chapter 324, Laws of 1853, for the week ending Saturday, the 24th day of February, 1855:
Average amount of Loans and Discounts ..... $2,[illegible] 00
Average amount of Specie ..... [illegible] 00
Average amount of Circulation ..... [illegible] 00
Average amount of Deposits ..... 1,[illegible] 00
City and County of New-York, ss.:—I, W. J. HOGGE, Cashier of the CONTINENTAL BANK, being duly sworn, depose and say that the above statement is correct, to the best of my knowledge and belief.
W. J. HOGGE, Cashier.
Sworn before me this 26th day of February, 1855.
GEO. G. TAYLOR, Commissioner of Deeds.

STATEMENT OF THE CORN EXCHANGE BANK.—As required by Chapter 324, Laws of 1853, for the week ending Saturday, the 24th day of February, 1855:
Average amount of Loans and Discounts ..... $1,412,[illegible] 00
Average amount of Specie ..... 128,[illegible] 00
Average amount of Circulation ..... 27,[illegible] 00
Average amount of Deposits ..... 1,187,[illegible] 00
City and County of New-York, ss.:—I, F. A. PLATT, Cashier of the CORN EXCHANGE BANK, being duly sworn, depose and say that the above statement is correct, to the best of my knowledge and belief.
F. A. PLATT, Cashier.
Sworn before me, this 26th day of February, 1855.
SMITH E. LANE, Commissioner of Deeds.

STATEMENT OF THE EAST RIVER BANK.—As required by Chapter 324, Laws of 1853, for the week ending Saturday, the 24th day of February, 1855:
Average amount of Loans and Discounts ..... $[illegible] 00
Average amount of Specie ..... [illegible] 00
Average amount of Circulation ..... [illegible] 00
Average amount of Deposits ..... [illegible] 00
City and County of New-York, ss.:—I, WILLIAM F. BALLOW, Cashier of the EAST RIVER BANK, New-York, being duly sworn, depose and say that the above statement is correct, to the best of my knowledge and belief.
W. F. BALLOW, Cashier.
Sworn before me, this 26th day of February, 1855.
THOMAS MAGARLAN, Commissioner of Deeds.

STATEMENT OF THE FULTON BANK, IN THE CITY OF NEW-YORK.—As required by Chapter 324, Laws of 1853, for the week ending Saturday, the 24th day of February, 1855:
Average amount of Loans and Discounts ..... $1,[illegible] 00
Average amount of Specie ..... 171,[illegible] 00
Average amount of Circulation ..... 126,[illegible] 00
Average amount of Deposits ..... 1,140,[illegible] 00
City and County of New-York, ss.:—I, WILLIAM F. LANE, Cashier of the FULTON BANK, in the CITY OF NEW-YORK, being duly sworn, depose and say that the above statement is correct, according to the best of my knowledge and belief.
W. F. LANE, Cashier.
Sworn before me, this 26th day of February, 1855.
EDWIN F. CORBY, Commissioner of Deeds.

STATEMENT OF THE GREENWICH BANK.—As required by Chapter 324, Laws of 1853, for the week ending Saturday, the 24th day of February, 1855:
Average amount of Loans and Discounts ..... $[illegible] 00
Average amount of Specie ..... [illegible] 00
Average amount of Circulation ..... [illegible] 00
Average amount of Deposits ..... [illegible] 00
City and County of New-York, ss.:—I, WILLIAM HAWES, Cashier of the GREENWICH BANK, being duly sworn, depose and say that the above statement is correct, to the best of my knowledge and belief.
WILLIAM HAWES, Cashier.
Sworn before me this 26th day of February, 1855.
JAMES HARRISON, Commissioner of Deeds.

STATEMENT OF THE GROCERS' BANK IN THE CITY OF NEW-YORK.—As required by Chapter 324, Laws of 1853, for the week ending Saturday, the 24th day of February, 1855:
Average amount of Loans and Discounts ..... $[illegible] 00
Average amount of Specie ..... 71,[illegible] 00
Average amount of Circulation ..... 28,[illegible] 00
Average amount of Deposits ..... 314,[illegible] 00
City and County of New-York, ss.:—I, GEO. A. CLARK, Assistant Cashier of the GROCERS' BANK in the City of New-York, being duly sworn, depose and say that the above statement is correct, to the best of my knowledge and belief.
GEO. A. CLARK, Assistant Cashier.
Sworn before me, this 26th day of February, 1855.
JOHN C. BEACH, Commissioner of Deeds.

STATEMENT OF THE HANOVER BANK, NEW-YORK.—As required by Chapter 324, Laws of 1853, for the week ending Saturday, the 24th day of February, 1855:
Average amount of Loans and Discounts ..... $1,[illegible] 00
Average amount of Specie ..... [illegible] 00
Average amount of Circulation ..... [illegible] 00
Average amount of Deposits ..... [illegible] 00
City and County of New-York, ss.:—I, THOMAS L. TAYLOR, Cashier of the HANOVER BANK, New-York, being duly sworn, depose and say that the above statement is correct, to the best of my knowledge and belief.
THOS. L. TAYLOR, Cashier.
Sworn before me, this 26th day of February, 1855.
GILBERT S. NIXON, Commissioner of Deeds.

STATEMENT OF THE ISLAND CITY BANK.—As required by Chapter 324, Laws of 1853, for the week ending Saturday, the 24th day of February, 1855:
Average amount of Loans and Discounts ..... $[illegible] 00
Average amount of Specie ..... [illegible] 00
Average amount of Circulation ..... [illegible] 00
Average amount of Deposits ..... [illegible] 00
City and County of New-York, ss.:—I, WM. STREBEIGH, Cashier of the ISLAND CITY BANK, being duly sworn, depose and say that the above statement is correct.
WM. STREBEIGH, Cashier.
Sworn before me, this 26th day of February, 1855.
J. L. HALSEY, Commissioner of Deeds.

STATEMENT OF THE IRVING BANK.—As required by Chapter 324, Laws of 1853, for the week ending Saturday, the 24th day of February, 1855:
Average amount of Loans and Discounts ..... $[illegible] 00
Average amount of Specie ..... [illegible] 00
Average amount of Circulation ..... [illegible] 00
Average amount of Deposits ..... [illegible] 00
City and County of New-York, ss.:—I, D. V. H. BERTHOLF, Cashier of the IRVING BANK, being duly sworn, depose and say that the above statement is correct.
D. V. H. BERTHOLF, Cashier.
Sworn before me, this 26th day of February, 1855.
JNO. HEUSMAN, Commissioner of Deeds.

STATEMENT OF THE LEATHER MANUFACTURERS' BANK.—As required by Chapter 324, Laws of 1853, for the week ending Saturday, the 24th day of February, 1855:
Average amount of Loans and Discounts ..... $1,770,[illegible] 00
Average amount of Specie ..... [illegible] 00
Average amount of Circulation ..... [illegible] 00
Average amount of Deposits ..... [illegible] 00
City and County of New-York, ss.:—I, H. ACLY, Cashier of the LEATHER MANUFACTURERS' BANK, being duly sworn, depose and say that the above statement is correct, to the best of my knowledge and belief.
H. ACLY, Cashier.
Sworn before me, this 26th day of February, 1855.
GILBERT S. NIXON, Commissioner of Deeds.

STATEMENT OF THE MANHATTAN COMPANY OF THE CITY OF NEW-YORK.—As required by Chapter 324, Laws of 1853, for the week ending Saturday, the 24th day of February, 1855:
Average amount of Loans and Discounts ..... $[illegible] 00
Average amount of Specie ..... [illegible] 00
Average amount of Circulation ..... [illegible] 00
Average amount of Deposits ..... [illegible] 00
City and County of New-York, ss.:—I, JAMES M. MORRISON, Cashier of the MANHATTAN COMPANY of the City of New-York, being duly sworn, depose and say that the above statement is correct, to the best of my knowledge and belief.
J. M. MORRISON, Cashier.
Sworn before me, this 26th day of February, 1855.
GILBERT S. NIXON, Commissioner of Deeds.

STATEMENT OF THE MARINE BANK OF THE CITY OF NEW-YORK.—As required by Chapter 324, Laws of 1853, for the week ending Saturday, the 24th day of February, 1855:
Average amount of Loans and Discounts ..... $[illegible] 00
Average amount of Specie ..... [illegible] 00
Average amount of Circulation ..... [illegible] 00
Average amount of Deposits ..... [illegible] 00
City and County of New-York, ss.:—I, J. D. BEARS, Cashier of the MARINE BANK, being duly sworn, depose and say that the above statement is correct, to the best of my knowledge and belief.
J. C. BEACH, Cashier.
Sworn before me, this 26th day of February, 1855.
WILLIAM DODGE, Commissioner of Deeds.

STATEMENT OF THE MARKET BANK.—As required by Chapter 324, Laws of 1853, for the week ending Saturday, the 24th day of February, 1855:
Average amount of Loans and Discounts $1,070,026 57
Average amount of Specie 26,345 57
Average amount of Circulation 111,720 00
Average amount of Deposits 760,000 00
City and County of New-York, ss.:—I, ROBERT H. HAYCOCK, Cashier of the MARKET BANK, being duly sworn, depose and say that the above statement is correct, to the best of my knowledge and belief.
R. H. HAYCOCK, Cashier.
Affirmed before me, this 26th day of February, 1855.
ERWIN F. CORBY, Commissioner of Deeds.

STATEMENT OF THE MECHANICS' BANK.—As required by Chapter 324, Laws of 1853, for the week ending Saturday, the 24th day of February, 1855:
Average amount of Loans and Discounts ..... $3,[illegible] 00
Average amount of Specie ..... 1,011,[illegible] 00
Average amount of Circulation ..... 326,[illegible] 00
Average amount of Deposits ..... 3,[illegible] 00
City and County of New-York, ss.:—I, SHEPHERD KNAPP, President of the MECHANICS' BANK, being duly sworn, depose and say, that the above statement is correct, to the best of my knowledge and belief.
SHEPHERD KNAPP, President.
Sworn before me, this 26th day of February, 1855.
GILBERT S. NIXON, Commissioner of Deeds.

STATEMENT OF THE MECHANICS' BANKING ASSOCIATION.—As required by Chapter 324, Laws of 1853, for the week ending Saturday, the 24th day of February, 1855:
Average amount of Loans and Discounts ..... $1,[illegible] 00
Average amount of Specie ..... [illegible] 00
Average amount of Circulation ..... [illegible] 00
Average amount of Deposits ..... [illegible] 00
City and County of New-York, ss.:—I, W. A. STEPHENS, Cashier of the MECHANICS' BANKING ASSOCIATION, being duly sworn, depose and say that the above statement is correct, to the best of my knowledge and belief.
JOHN J. STEPHENS, Cashier.
Sworn before me, this 26th day of February, 1855.
GILBERT S. NIXON, Commissioner of Deeds.

STATEMENT OF THE MECHANICS' AND TRADESMEN'S BANK.—As required by Chapter 324, Laws of 1853, for the week ending Saturday, the 24th day of February, 1855:
Average amount of Loans and Discounts ..... $[illegible] 00
Average amount of Specie ..... [illegible] 00
Average amount of Circulation ..... [illegible] 00
Average amount of Deposits ..... [illegible] 00
City and County of New-York, ss.:—I, RICHARD BRENT, Cashier of the MECHANICS' AND TRADESMEN'S BANK, being duly sworn, depose and say that the above statement is correct, to the best of my knowledge and belief.
RICHARD BRENT, Cashier.
Affirmed before me, this 26th day of February, 1855.
J. B. FELLOWS, Commissioner of Deeds.

STATEMENT OF THE UNION BANK, NEW-YORK.—As required by Chapter 324, Laws of 1853, for the week ending Saturday, the 24th day of February, 1855:
Average amount of Loans and Discounts ..... $3,[illegible] 00
Average amount of Specie ..... [illegible] 00
Circulation of the late Union Bank ..... [illegible] 00
Average amount of Deposits ..... [illegible] 00
City and County of New-York, ss.:—I, D. BARRETT, Cashier of the UNION BANK, being duly sworn, depose and say that the above statement is correct, to the best of my knowledge and belief.
D. BARRETT, Cashier.
Sworn before me this 26th day of February, 1855.
GILBERT S. NIXON, Commissioner of Deeds.

COPARTNERSHIP.

OFFICE NO. 38 WILLIAM-ST., NEW-YORK, Feb. 19, 1855.

COPARTNERSHIP.—The undersigned have formed a copartnership under the name and firm of MERGE & GREENLEAF, for the transaction of a General Stock Commission Business. They will make advances on any sales or Consignments only, and will use their best efforts to promote the interests of their patrons. Any orders they may be favored with will be executed with punctuality and fidelity. Possessing all necessary facilities for the negotiation of Stock securities, and confident in their ability to give satisfaction, they respectfully solicit a share of public patronage.
OTIS A. MERGE, late of Merge, Ace & Co., 32 Broad-st.
A. J. GREENLEAF, Late of No. 2 Wall-st.
REFERENCES: American Exchange Bank, Merchants' Bank, Bank of the Republic, Metropolitan Bank.

COPARTNERSHIP.—The undersigned have this day formed a copartnership, under the style and firm of CONNOLLY & ADAMS, for the purpose of conducting a Commission Business at No. 41 Wall-st.
New-York, Feb. 16, 1855. JAMES A. CONNOLLY, JAMES C. ADAMS.

MR. JAMES C. ADAMS, lately of the firm of Myers, Bates & Co., will be happy to see his friends at the office of Connolly & Adams, No. 41 Wall-st.

TO ALL WHOM IT MAY CONCERN.—Notice is hereby given, that the copartnership heretofore existing between JOHN CRAWFORD & BENJAMIN WHITFIELD, retail dry goods merchants, is on this 24th day of February, 1855, by mutual consent dissolved. The said CRAWFORD hereafter continues the business on his own account.
BENJAMIN WHITFIELD.

RAILROADS.

NEW-YORK CENTRAL RAILROAD FROM ALBANY.—By the way, and in connection with the Hudson River Railroad, for Troy, Buffalo, Niagara Falls, CLEVELAND, TOLEDO, CINCINNATI, CHICAGO, ST. LOUIS, NIAGARA FALLS SUSPENSION BRIDGE and DETROIT.
EXPRESS TRAIN—Leaves Albany, at 3:20 A. M., arriving at Buffalo 12:30 P. M.
NEW-YORK EXPRESS TRAIN—Leaves Albany at 12 M., in connection with the Hudson River Railroad from New-York at 4 P. M., stopping at Schenectady, Utica, Little Falls, Ilion, Herkimer, Mohawk, Canajoharie, Fort Plain, Amsterdam, and arriving at Buffalo at 10:30 P. M.
NEW-YORK EXPRESS TRAIN—In connection with the Hudson River Railroad from New-York at 10 P. M., leaves Albany at 11:15 P. M., and arrives at Buffalo at 7:30 A. M., connecting at Rochester at 6:30 A. M., and Niagara Falls at 8:30 A. M.
MAIL TRAIN—Leaves Albany at 8:30 A. M., stopping at all stations.
UTICA ACCOMMODATION TRAIN—Leaves Albany at 3:30 P. M., stopping at all stations, and arrives at Utica at 8 P. M.
PRINCIPAL CONNECTIONS.
At Syracuse, with Syracuse and Utica Road and Steamboats for Oswego.
At Rome, with Lake Shore Road and Steamboats for Cleveland, Cincinnati, Toledo and Chicago; Buffalo and Syracuse Road, Niagara Falls and Buffalo Road, to Niagara Falls and Buffalo; Rochester and Buffalo Road, to Niagara Falls and Buffalo; Rochester and Auburn Road, with the Great Western Railroad to Detroit, &c.; also, with steamboats for Detroit and Chicago.
At Suspension Bridge, with Great Western Railway to Windsor, Detroit, Chicago, St. Louis, &c.; also, with railroad to Lewiston, and steamboat line to Toronto, &c.; C. W.
At Syracuse, with Oswego and Syracuse Road to Oswego.
At Rome, with Watertown and Rome Road to Cape Vincent, and steamers to Kingston, C. W., and ports on Lake Ontario.
At Schenectady, with road to Saratoga Springs, Whitehall, &c.
G. VIBBARD, General Sup't, Albany.

CLEVELAND AND TOLEDO RAILROAD.—CHANGE OF WINTER ARRANGEMENT.—AMERICAN LAKE SHORE LINE.—For TOLEDO, CHICAGO, ROCK ISLAND, ST. LOUIS, GALENA, DUBUQUE, MILWAUKIE, GREEN BAY, and the West generally, also: SANDUSKY, DAYTON, INDIANAPOLIS, CINCINNATI, FORT WAYNE.—Passengers by this route are free from the annoyance of Custom-House examinations of baggage, or the exorbitant charge of Cent-per-Mile company. Five daily trains from Cleveland: First—1:30 A. M., New-York Express, from station of C. C. R. R., for Toledo, Chicago, and St. Louis. Second—3:30 A. M., Express Train, from weather side of the Cleveland Boat Landing, for Toledo, Chicago, and Fort Wayne. Third—2:30 P. M. Mail Train from station of C. C. C. & C. R. R., for Toledo, Chicago, and St. Louis. Fourth—4 P. M. Mail Train, from west side of the river, for Sandusky, Dayton, Indianapolis, Cincinnati, and Fort Wayne. Fifth—5 P. M. Express Train, from station of C. C. C. & C. R. R., for Toledo and Chicago. Through tickets can be procured at the principal hotels. Inland Office, No. 5 Exchange-st., of E. PHILLIPS, Superintendent.
OFFICE OF C. & T. R. R., CLEVELAND, Nov. 20, 1854.

HUDSON RIVER RAILROAD.—Trains leave Chatham-st. depot for Albany and Troy, on and after MONDAY, Jan. 8, 1855, the hours will run as follows: Express Train, 1 A. M., connecting with Northern and Western Trains. Mail Train, 9 A. M. Through Way Train, 12 M. Express Train, 4:45 P. M. Accommodation Train, 6 P. M. Night Express, 11 P. M. Leave Troy for New-York at: 6 A. M., Express; 8 A. M., Through Way Train; 12 M., Express; 3 P. M., Express; 6 P. M., Accommodation; 11 P. M., Express. Freight Trains run daily. Passengers are requested to procure tickets at the office, No. 5 Bowling-green. Letter box made over the office. Inland Office, 2 Cortlandt-st. and Depot foot Chambers-st.

FOR THE SOUTH.

FOR PETERSBURG AND NORFOLK.—The steamship ROANOKE, Capt. Simonson, is now receiving freight at Pier No. 12, North River, foot Pearl-st. and Maiden-lane, and will leave on WEDNESDAY AFTERNOON, at 3 o'clock.
LUDLAM & PLEASANTS, No. 20 Broadway.

NEW-YORK AND NEW-ORLEANS STEAMSHIP COMPANY—FOR NEW ORLEANS, STOPPING AT HAVANA.—The steamship BLACK WARRIOR, J. D. HULLOCK, Commander, will commence receiving freight on Wednesday, 21 March, and will sail from Pier No. 37, foot of Beach-st., North River, on SATURDAY, March 24, at 12 o'clock, precisely. Passengers for Havana must procure passports before leaving port. Bills of lading must be sent in for signing the evening previous to the ship's sailing. For freight or passage, apply to LIVINGSTON, CROCHERON & CO., No. 3 Broadway.
N. B.—The CAHAWBA, R. W. SPENCER, Commander, will succeed the *Black Warrior*, and sail Monday, March 26th.

FOR RICHMOND, PETERSBURG AND RICHMOND.—The United States mail steamer ROANOKE, Capt. Simonson, will leave Pier No. 8, North River, on WEDNESDAY, Feb. 28, at 3 o'clock, P. M., and arrive in Norfolk the next afternoon, and Petersburg and Richmond the following morning. From Norfolk, passengers for the above ports will be forwarded direct with through tickets from Weldon to Wilmington, Augusta, Ga., Passage and fare to Norfolk, $5; to Petersburg, $7; and Richmond, $8; children and servants half price. Apply to
LUDLAM & PLEASANTS, No. 20 Broadway.

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NEW-YORK CITY.

Wednesday, L'Ouverture—Lecture by C. W. Burnham.

A historical lecture on TOUSSAINT L'OUVERTURE, the St. Domingo black hero, was delivered last evening at Clinton Hall, before the New-York Young Men's Library Association. It was one of Mr. Burnham's lectures, carefully prepared, and listened to with great interest. The lecturer was applauded during his performance, and after he concluded a unanimous vote of thanks was tendered to him by the audience.

He began by saying that a sketch of TOUSSAINT L'OUVERTURE might tend to weaken the bitter prejudices of the whites against the blacks, and also encourage the blacks themselves. TOUSSAINT was a negro who was not ashamed of being black. In the Revolution in St. Domingo, in 1790, he first became distinguished. He was a full-blooded African, and for fifty years a slave. During all this period he was an obscure man, known only to a few—but those were impressed with his virtues. The Revolution brought out his talents. He threw off the yoke of Spain, and received, if possible, to set his people free. He was a friend, however, to the French King LOUIS, thinking that he favored Emancipation; but LOUIS was soon beheaded. NAPOLEON regarded the black General as a rival, and he sent an expedition against St. Domingo. Finally, TOUSSAINT was taken prisoner to France, and he perished in a dungeon. The lecturer was severe in his satire upon NAPOLEON. He did not believe that he was a friend of liberty. He drew a striking picture of the character of TOUSSAINT, in contrast with that of his imperial oppressor. He pointed out his eminent qualities as a statesman. A draft of a Constitution for St. Domingo was to be drawn up, in which TOUSSAINT required, first, that there should be no distinction of color recognized. Second, that there should be an established religion. Third, that agriculture should be specially encouraged, and fourth, that commerce should be free. These requirements were those which farmering captaincy demanded; they argued his abilities. The negro General always insisted that St. Domingo could not maintain its freedom except the population practice agriculture. TOUSSAINT was a man eminently noted for his rare domestic virtues. He loved home life, yet he did not shrink from the most arduous privations in the service of his countrymen. He was a man without advantages, yet he made himself immortal in a noble manner, and in a good cause. His memory will be respected by all mankind, and his deeds recorded with eagerness and delight by all future historians of the progress of the human race.

A Fugitive from Philadelphia—Habeas Corpus—Error in the Governor's Requisition—The Prisoner Delivered Up.

Yesterday afternoon an important hearing took place before the City Judge, in regard to the arrest of a fugitive who escaped from the authorities of Philadelphia several weeks ago. A warrant was issued by Alderman COOKE, of Philadelphia, for the arrest of the accused, and as he had fled to this State, Governor POLLOCK, of Pennsylvania, issued a requisition upon Governor CLARK. The defendant was secured by the assistance of Officer MARTIN, of the Second District Court, and just as Officer FOLEY was about to leave in the Saturday afternoon train, with his prisoner, a writ of habeas corpus was served upon him, returnable before Judge STUART yesterday, at 3 P. M. At the hour, the officer and the fugitive appeared before His Honor, and Mr. SPRINGER opened the case.

The objections of counsel were finally withdrawn, and Judge STUART ordered the fugitive taken back to Philadelphia. The prisoner stands indicted in that city for swindling a German merchant, named JACOB GUNSENHAUSEN, out of goods to the amount of some $1,000.

Teachers' Association.

This Association held its regular monthly meeting on Saturday evening; the President, J. H. FANNING, in the Chair. A communication on the Mayor's "Black Book" was read, which expressed some fear that what was nobly designed to correct official delinquencies and public nuisances, might become a public medium for the mere gratification of personal malice, thus inflicting, perhaps, by its published reports statements, great injustice upon the business man, the professional man, or any other citizen. Mr. BRIENNARD offered a resolution to the effect that the Association take immediate measures to act as a corporate body, under the general law of 1848, for the encouragement of benevolent, literary and scientific associations. Adopted, and a committee of five was appointed to report a plan of organization at the next meeting. An essay on "Teaching," was read by Mr. GEO. H. HARING.

New-York Sketch Club.

A very interesting meeting of this Club took place on Saturday evening, at the rooms of Mr. RANSOM, University Buildings. The host of the occasion was the celebrated artist, JOSEPH KYLE, Esq. Sketches were exhibited by Messrs. DALLAS, MCLENIN, HART, CAFFERTY, WOTHERSPOON, D. C. HITCHCOCK, HUBER, Mrs. GERATO REX and others. After supper, speeches were made by Messrs. T. B. THORPE, W. W. FOSDICK, C. GAUSSE, CORNELIUS MATHEWS, DEFOREST, Esq., &c. A beautiful poem, by Miss MARY F. KYLE, was read to the company. Altogether it was a very pleasant meeting—to be marked, as was the custom of the Romans, with a white stone. Mr. KYLE was fortunate in gathering around him so many friendly faces of distinguished men.

The Malpractice Case—Coroner's Investigation.

The investigation of the circumstances attending the death of ELIZA MCGOVERN, (the Demilt Dispensary case, alleged to be an instance of malpractice,) was commenced yesterday at the Coroner's office. Evidence was taken as follows:

Bernard Fleming deposed that she lives at No. 223 West Twenty-third-street; recollects going into the room of the deceased on the day (Tuesday) after she was in labor; saw a young physician attending her, who came about 9 o'clock; witness was with deceased during the whole of Tuesday night, with the exception of half an hour; the young doctor (student) remained during the whole of that time; after Dr. Longrigg and Dr. Gilligan had left, witness went to get another doctor; did not observe the young doctor make any effort to deliver deceased; he approached her in a strange manner on him; which was only two or three minutes; did not hear him express any wish for further assistance; cannot say at what hour Dr. Longrigg left her; it was early in the night; thinks he was there an hour; deceased had been in extreme pain; Dr. Longrigg was there; she said the doctor was hurting her.

Mr. Stewart—As counsel for Dr. Longrigg I object to this.

Coroner, (rising and angrily)—Call an officer.

Mr. Stewart—Oh, you need not do that, I shall leave.

Coroner—No, I shall listen to nothing. I insist on my dignity.

Mr. Stewart then left.

Mr. Fleming (continued.)—There was no appearance of her being in any immediate and his friend had left, under the idea; Dr. Longrigg called the young doctor twice or three times, calling him if he knew whether it was the head or the foot, (presenting,) the young doctor, on examination, replied he thought it was the foot; witness continued by the side of the patient a little more than an hour after that, agreeing with him that it was the foot; he said, saying, "I'll go no more, I am tired out;" witness told Dr. Longrigg replied, "Oh, no, you will do well; you must bear it;" Dr. Longrigg came with some other; witness replied he with witness for a week.

Elizabeth Waddell deposed that she lived in same house with deceased; is married; mother of two children; had been present during confinement; remained with her; Dr. Longrigg (whispering)—

Mr. Stewart—Is this evidence?

Coroner—We will talk by.

Witness continued—Deceased in the dark room. The witness observing it, went out and returned with taken from the Dispensary; she observed that they was [illegible] and her eyes were such a peculiarity and [illegible] of the Dispensary; witness; the shock had [illegible] of the Dispensary; witness; the shock had [illegible] of the Dispensary; witness; the shock had